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ON

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OF

Criminal Justice

IN

THE PRESIDENCY OF MADRAS,

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I.—Introductory.

1. The report is framed on the same plan and arrangement as last year. Plan of the report.

II.—Courts administering Criminal Justice.

2. The Courts which actually exercised Criminal Jurisdiction during 1886 were Number and description of Courts.

(a.) In the Mufassal—

11,705 Village Magistrates' Courts,

715 { 172 Third Class Magistrates' Courts,
426 Second Class do.,
117 First Class do.

and 20 Courts of Session.

(b.) At the Presidency Town—

1 Coroner's Court,
2 Courts of the Presidency Magistrates,
1 Court of the Commissioner of Police
and The High Court.

3. There was a decrease of 2,752 Village Magistrates who tried cases as compared with 1885. The decrease was specially noticeable in North Arcot (from 2,720 in 1885 to 595 in 1886). This is the only District that has paid attention to para. 35 of last year's report and hence the large decrease (*Vide* para. 32). Village Magistrates.

4. Of the 715 Magistrates' Courts mentioned above, 49 were Honorary Benches. The decrease of one as compared with 1885 was due to the North Wynaad Bench not having exercised powers during the year. Honorary Benches.

The average number of working days in these Courts was 66, varying from 226 in Bezwada to 4 in South-east Wynaad.

5. Of the 666 Magistrates in the mufassal, 58 were Special Magistrates under Section 14 of the Criminal Procedure Code. The increase of 23 over 1885 was due to certain Sub-Registrars having been invested with Magisterial powers. Of the 58 Special Magistrates, 5 exercised first class, 2 second class, and 51 third class, powers. Special Magistrates.

6. Of the 608 Regular Magisterial Courts thus remaining, Regular Magistrates.

83 were those of 3rd Class Subordinate Magistrates,
414 „ of 2nd do. do.,
3 „ of Cantonment Magistrates (1st class),
87 „ of Sub-divisional Magistrates (do.)
and 21 „ of District Magistrates.

7. The average number of working days in the Courts of District Magistrates was 49, varying from 126 in Tinnevelly to 5 in Anantapur. District Magistrates.

Courts of Session.

8. In the Courts of Session, the average number of working days was 63, varying from 131 in Bellary to 26 in North Malabar.

Presidency Magistrates.

9. The Courts of Presidency Magistrates sat on 284 days during the year.

High Court.

10. In the High Court, 219 Criminal Benches sat during 1886, 38 for the disposal of Sessions, and 181 for the disposal of Appellate and Revisional work. On the Original Side, there were four Sessions which occupied 32 days. On the Appellate Side, criminal business was transacted exclusively on 54 days, and along with civil work on 104 days.

III.—The State of Crime.

Cases and persons, with their results distributed by classes of offences.

11. Below is given a classification of the offences reported, returned as true and brought to trial. The number of persons brought to trial in each class of offences with the results of the trial, is also shown.

CLASS.	Number of Offences reported.	No. of Cases.		No. of Persons.			Percentage of convictions to total of Cols. 6 and 7.
		Returned as true.	Percentage of true to reported cases.	Under trial.	Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Chapter VI. Offences against the State	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" VII. Offences relating to the Army and Navy ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" VIII. Offences against the public tranquillity ...	2,004	1,735	86·57	14,629	8,889	4,765	34·89
" IX. Offences by or relating to public servants...	83	70	84·34	112	75	34	31·19
" X. Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants	2,547	2,445	95·96	3,485	1,491	1,911	56·17
" XI. False evidence and offences against public justice	969	872	89·99	1,502	734	693	48·56
" XII. Offences relating to coin and Government stamps	138	116	84·06	148	80	66	45·20
" XIII. Offences relating to weights and measures....	223	198	88·78	303	128	147	53·45
" XIV. Offences affecting public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals	6,589	6,350	96·37	8,890	2,571	6,266	70·90
" XV. Offences relating to religion	111	88	79·28	299	223	67	23·10
" XVI. Offences affecting life	707	624	88·26	1,151	689	366	34·69
" " Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and concealment of births	100	69	69·00	106	48	44	47·82
" " Hurt	10,802	9,602	89·82	26,214	21,729	4,066	15·76
" " Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement	2,318	1,783	76·92	5,235	4,530	596	11·45
" " Criminal force and assault	33,084	30,322	91·65	67,990	59,490	7,910	11·74
" " Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labor	188	131	69·68	336	255	64	20·06
" " Rape	105	69	65·71	93	77	14	15·38
" " Unnatural offences	8	4	50·00	15	10	5	33·33
" XVII. Theft	19,554	15,294	78·21	35,182	22,284	11,928	34·82
" " Extortion	468	365	77·99	1,054	937	79	7·85
" " Robbery and dacoity	590	404	68·47	1,602	1,128	339	23·11
" " Criminal misappropriation of property ...	724	599	82·73	1,173	741	402	35·17
" " Criminal breach of trust...	2,737	2,051	74·93	2,772	2,125	548	20·50
" " Receiving stolen property	559	533	95·34	758	279	457	62·09
" " Cheating	1,181	777	65·79	1,325	1,077	200	15·66
" " Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	172	134	77·91	483	385	88	18·60
" " Mischief	7,457	6,181	82·88	17,289	14,606	2,079	12·46
" " Criminal trespass	11,518	9,014	78·26	22,346	17,382	4,451	20·38
" XVIII. Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks	286	218	76·22	710	612	47	7·13
" XIX. Criminal breach of contracts of service ...	18	17	94·44	31	24	7	22·57
" XX. Offences relating to marriage	1,034	854	82·59	1,644	1,428	162	10·28
" XXI. Defamation	648	489	75·46	1,091	939	106	10·14
" XXII. Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.	2,835	2,584	91·14	4,988	4,290	651	13·17
Total of offences under the Penal Code ...	109,757	93,992	85·64	222,951	169,256	48,548	22·29
Offences under Special and Local Laws...	94,807	93,514	98·64	113,364	24,618	88,087	78·15
Grand Total...	204,564	187,506	91·66	336,315	193,874	136,635	41·34

12. There was a decrease of crime, the total number of offences returned as true being 187,506 in 1886 as against 190,730 in 1885, or a decrease of 1·69 per cent. Details of comparison are given in the following statement :— Decrease of crime.

		Reported.	Complaints dismissed under Section 203.	Struck off as false.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial.	Persons brought to trial.
Offences under the Indian Penal Code	1885...	120,743	12,059	12,189	96,495	89,187	227,897
	1886...	109,757	10,110	5,655	93,992	87,578	222,951
Offences under Special and Local Laws.	1885...	95,914	708	971	94,235	93,264	114,119
	1886...	94,807	605	688	93,514	92,403	113,364
Total	1885...	216,657	12,767	13,160	190,730	182,451	342,016
	1886...	204,564	10,715	6,343	187,506	179,981	336,315

13. Taking offences reported, there was a decrease of 10,986 under the Penal Code and the decrease was marked in the following classes of offences :— Offences reported.

	1885.	1886.
Theft	24,463	19,554
Offences affecting public health, &c., Chapter XIV.	9,702	6,589
Criminal trespass	13,745	11,518

Penal Code.

The decrease under Special and Local Laws was 1,107 and the chief variations occurred in offences under the following Acts :— Special Laws.

	1885.	1886.
Municipal Acts	19,216	14,495
Abkari Act	5,287	6,352
Police Acts	51,340	53,691

14. The decrease from 25,927 in 1885 to 17,058 in 1886 in the number of cases dismissed and struck off as false, is very satisfactory. The proportions of true and false complaints in the last two years were :— Cases dismissed and struck off as false.

	True.		False.	
	1885.	1886.	1885.	1886.
Penal Code	79·91	85·64	20·09	14·36
Special and Local Laws...	98·25	98·64	1·75	1·36

As in 1885, false reporting occurred chiefly in complaints of offences affecting property and was by far most prevalent in Tanjore where the percentage of cases found not to have occurred, out of offences reported, was 40·26. The next worst Districts in this respect were Trichinopoly (22·90), Kurnool (22·21), South Canara (18·78), Ganjam (17·27) and Cuddapah (17·24). The Districts where false complaints were less were Coimbatore (6·41), Kistna (6·65) and Godavari (7·71). False reports of crime. District variations.

15. Judging from the number of cases returned as true, the decrease was in the following offences :— Offences returned as true.

	1885.	1886.
Offences affecting public health, safety, &c.	9,302	6,350
Theft	16,259	15,294
Criminal trespass	9,867	9,014

In some of the graver crimes there was an increase, namely,

	1885.	1886.
Offences affecting life...	498	624
Causing miscarriage, &c.	65	69
Kidnapping, &c.	99	131
Forgery	140	181
Robbery and dacoity	389	494

Offences affecting life.

Murder (§§ 302, 303 and 307) ..	244
Culpable Homicide (§ 304) ...	92
Death by rash acts	45
Suicides and attempts ...	243
	624

16. Of the 624 cases affecting life, 191 were cases of murder and 53 of attempts to murder, as compared with 103 and 41, respectively, in 1885. The increase was most noticeable in the following Districts:—

District variations.

	1885.	1886.		1885.	1886.
Cuddapah	6	16	Madura	7	15
Salem	6	16	Coimbatore ...	1	7
Tinnevelly	11	20	Nellore	1	7
South Canara ...	8	16	Godavari	4	9

Culpable homicide not amounting to murder occurred chiefly in Tanjore (11), Tinnevelly and Vizagapatam Agency (9 each), Madura (7) and Ganjam Agency, Coimbatore and Godavari (6 each). Deaths by rash and negligent acts occurred chiefly in Malabar (7) and Madura(5). Suicides were most frequent in Vizagapatam (23), North Arcot (21), Godavari (20) and Nellore (18).

Offences against property.

17. There was no dacoity in Madras and Vizagapatam, but in several Districts there were marked variations in robbery and dacoity as compared with 1885, namely,

Dacoity and robbery.

Increase.	1885.	1886.	Decrease.	1885.	1886.
Robbery.			*Robbery.*		
Salem	14	18	Kistna	21	5
Ganjam	5	8	Vizagapatam ...	13	5
Trichinopoly ...	7	10	Tanjore	17	10
Dacoity.			Tinnevelly ...	24	18
Tinnevelly	13	27	Godavari	11	5
Trichinopoly ...	10	22	*Dacoity.*		
Malabar	3	15	Anantapur ...	13	6
Coimbatore... ...	8	14	Bellary	14	11

Forgery.

18. The increase in forgery was observable in the following Districts:—

	1885.	1886.
Cuddapah	7	18
South Arcot	3	13
Coimbatore	3	10
South Canara	7	13
Godavari	4	8

Criminal force and assault.

19. In cases of assault and criminal force, there was an increase of 1,115 cases, nearly the whole of which (809) occurred in Godavari.

Offences against public tranquillity.

20. There was also an increase in the total number of offences against public tranquillity, viz., 1,735 in 1886 as against 1,571 in 1885 and 1,517 in 1884, the more noticeable variations occurring in

	1885.	1886.
Vizagapatam	40	102
Tinnevelly	133	180
Coimbatore	110	150
Chingleput	40	68
North Arcot	32	55

Offences affecting public health, &c.

21. The decrease from 9,302 in 1885 to 6,350 in 1886 in offences against public health, safety and convenience is very striking in the following Districts:—

	1885.	1886.
Madura	3,504	1,324
Ganjam	776	426
Vizagapatam	567	278
Nellore	636	426

No explanation is suggested in the District reports about the falling off in the above offences.

22. Under Special and Local Laws there was a decrease of 721 true cases. The principal district variations were :— Offences against Special and Local Laws.

	Municipal Act. 1885.	1886.		District Police Act. 1885.	1886.
Bellary ...	2,466	806	Bellary ...	3,041	5,666
Godavari	1,747	596	North Arcot	1,333	1,876
Madura ...	1,526	532	Kistna ...	743	1,164
Tanjore ...	1,719	1,137	Nilgiris ...	897	1,118
Vizagapatam	773	258	Madras ...	9,781	8,679
Madras ...	3,128	4,815	South Arcot	2,487	1,979
			Madura ...	3,218	2,742

	Salt Law. 1885.	1886.		Abkari Law. 1885.	1886.
Trichinopoly ...	2,535	2,063	Tinnevelly ...	97	296
Madura ...	1,166	1,007	Malabar ...	669	833
Vizagapatam ...	1,631	1,480	Tanjore ...	100	244
Tanjore ...	1,105	1,422	South Canara ...	386	515
Ganjam ...	251	504	Vizagapatam ...	391	504

	Forest Law. 1885.	1886.		Stamp Act. 1885.	1886.
Salem ...	384	278	Kurnool ...	7	144
Madura ...	165	110	Tanjore ...	8	33
Trichinopoly ...	96	44	Malabar ...	82	56
Ganjam ...	109	173			
Coimbatore ...	16	76			

	Cattle Trespass Act. 1885.	1886.		Railway Act. 1885.	1886.
Kistna ...	36	247	Malabar ...	132	79
Vizagapatam ...	74	126	South Arcot ...	97	48
Ganjam ...	55	92	Tanjore ...	98	60
Malabar ...	221	182	Madura ...	69	40

23. Testing the criminality of Districts by the prevalence of grave offences only, the Town of Madras and the Nilgiris were the most criminal as in 1885 with one grave crime to 509 and 599 inhabitants, respectively. Next to these in order of criminality come Vizagapatam Agency (1 to 912), Chingleput (1 to 1,070), Ganjam (1 to 1,276) and Godavari (1 to 1,364), while the least criminal Districts were Godavari Agency (1 to 2,007), Kistna (1 to 2,142), South Arcot (1 to 2,144), Tanjore (1 to 2,154), South Canara (1 to 2,290), and Ganjam Agency (1 to 2,365). Criminality of Districts tested by grave offences.

Taking all Districts together, the ratio of grave crimes to population was 1 to 1,615. Criminality of the Presidency.

24. Comparing the cases brought to trial with those returned as true, the percentages for the last two years compare as follows :— Offences brought to trial.

	1885.	1886.
Penal Code ...	92·4	93·1
Special and Local Laws ...	98·9	98·8
All offences ...	95·6	95·9

25. The total number of persons under trial during the year was 336,315 as against 334,253 in 1884 and 342,016 in 1885. The results are summarized below :— Offences proved on trial.

		1884.	1885.	1886.
Offences under the Indian Penal Code.	Discharged or acquitted	166,868	167,550	169,256
	Convicted ...	54,446	54,604	48,548
	Percentage convicted ...	24·6	24·6	22·2
Offences under Special and Local Laws.	Discharged or acquitted	20,235	25,066	24,618
	Convicted ...	86,220	88,315	88,087
	Percentage convicted ...	81·0	77·9	78·1

As usual, the percentage of convictions in offences which may be compounded by law was very low— defamation (10·14), offences relating to marriage (10·28), wrongful restraint and confinement (11·45) and criminal force and assault (11·74).

The proportion of convictions was high, as in the preceding year, in the following classes of offences:—

Offences affecting public health, &c.	70·9
Contempts of lawful authority of public servants ...	56·1
Offences relating to weights and measures ...	53·4
False evidence and offences against public justice ...	48·5
Offences relating to coin and Government stamps ...	45·2

The percentage of conviction in the case of grave crimes was very low as shown below:—

Rape	15·3
Kidnapping, &c.	20·0
Robbery and dacoity ...	23·1
Offences affecting life ...	34·6
Theft	34·8

Preventive and miscellaneous measures.

26. The following statement compares the preventive and miscellaneous proceedings taken under the Criminal Procedure Code in the last two years*:—

	Cases disposed of.		Persons disposed of.		Persons convicted.	
	1885.	1886.	1885.	1886.	1885.	1886.
Proceedings against witnesses under Chapters VI and XXXV	5	8	5	11	4	8
Proceedings under Chapter VIII to prevent breach of peace	107	110	451	589	290	312
Do. Security for good behaviour	66	47	158	135	67	38
Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X ...	231	117	371	229	29	18
Possession, Chapter XII ...	68	81	207	302	24	33
Frivolous or vexatious complaints summarily dealt with under Chapter XX, Sec. 250...	629	504	734	553	655	533
Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chapter XXIII	27	38	27	38	24	35
Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI.	2,001	1,922	2,001*	1,922	508	513
Forfeiture of bail or recognizance, Chapter XLII ...	263	322	420	460	366	362

Security to keep the peace.

Of the 589 persons called upon to furnish security to keep the peace, no less than 138 were in the Tanjore District. To the total number of 312 persons bound over during the year, Madura contributed 62, Tanjore, 58 and Bellary, 44.

Vexatious complaints.

The average amount recovered as compensation from the 533 persons fined for preferring frivolous and vexatious complaints was Rupees 6. As in last year, Malabar contributed the largest number, viz., 183 to the total number fined.

Local nuisances.

All the 18 persons punished for local nuisances were in Malabar.

Crime by European British subjects.

27. 110 European British subjects involved in 101 cases were under trial during the year. Of these, 14 were charged with serious offences, viz., 5 with offences affecting life, 4 with theft, 3 with criminal trespass and 1 with mischief attended with aggravating circumstances and 1 with cheating; 30 were charged with criminal force or assault, the largest number, as usual, being at Cantonment stations; 31 were accused of breaches of Special Laws. The cases of 107 Europeans were disposed of, 67 being convicted and 40 acquitted. Of the convictions, 26 were under Special Laws.

Recapitulation of salient features.

28. To recapitulate—the salient features in 1886 were (1) a decrease in the number of Village Magistrates who actually tried cases; (2) an increase in the number of Special Magistrates; and (3) a large decrease in the number of offences reported under the Indian Penal Code, accompanied by a large diminution in the number of cases dismissed and struck off as false. Madras and the Nilgiris continued, as usual, to be the most criminal Districts in proportion to their population.

* The difference between this and what is entered in the report for 1885 is explained in the High Court's letter to Government, dated 30th April 1887, No. 1340.

IV.—Business in the Courts.

1.—ALL COURTS TOGETHER.

29. Statement D in the Appendix exhibits in one view the aggregate criminal work of the Presidency, original and appellate, arranged by Districts and by classes of Courts. Statement D.

The total number of original cases before the Courts was 195,724, of which 14,095 (or 7·2 per cent.) were before the Courts of Village Magistrates. Of the balance of 181,629 cases in the Regular Courts, 30,115 were contributed by the Presidency Town and the remainder 151,514 by the Mufassal. Original Cases.

The total number of appeals instituted was 6,126, of which 5,556 were preferred to Magistrates' and Sessions Courts, and 570 to the High Court. The aggregate criminal work of the past three years is compared below:— Appeals.

Comparison for 3 years.

	Original cases.	Appeals.	Total.
1884	191,024	5,510	196,534
1885	203,993	5,861	209,854
1886	195,724	6,126	201,850

30. Taking both original cases and appeals together, and excluding the Presidency Town, Malabar contributed the largest proportion of the total criminal work during the year, viz., 9·5 per cent., Madura, 8·2 and Tanjore, 8·0. The smallest contributions were from the Nilgiris (1·3), Kurnool (1·6), South Canara (2·1), Anantapur (2·1) and Cuddapah (3·2). District contributions.

31. The contributions of the various classes of Courts to the aggregate criminal work are shown below:— Contributions of classes of Courts.

	Original Cases.	Percentage.	Appeals.	Percentage.
1. Village Magistrates' Courts ...	14,095	7·20	...	...
2. Regular Magistrates' Courts in the mufassal	150,542	76 91	4,897	79·95
3. Presidency Magistrates' Courts.	30,059	15·37	...	..
4. Courts of Session	972	·49	659	10·76
5. High Court	56	·03	570	9·29
	195,724	100·00	6,126	100·00

2. VILLAGE MAGISTRATES' COURTS.

32. 14,095 cases were received in the Courts of Village Magistrates during the year under review. Except North Arcot, the other Districts (Bellary, Cuddapah, Ganjam and Trichinopoly) mentioned in para. 35 of the last year's report, do not appear to have paid any attention to the remark in the said para. that the number of Village Magistrates who actually tried cases in the year should alone have been entered in Col. 3 of the returns (*Vide* para. 3.) This year, two more Districts (Salem and Godavari Agency) have committed the same mistake. Institutions.

1884... ...	15,266
1885	15,762
1886	14,095

33. The Districts that contributed the largest number were Tanjore (1,999), Tinnevelly (1,731), Madura (1,379) and Salem (1,349). The Districts which contributed the least were the Nilgiris (27), Bellary (56) and Kurnool (79). District contributions.

34. Including 194 cases pending from the previous year, the number for disposal in 1886 was 14,289, of which 14,041 were disposed of, leaving 248 pending at the end of the year. The figures for the past three years were as follows:— Disposal of cases.

	Disposed of.	Pending.
1884	15,219	100
1885	15,681	194
1886	14,041	248

Number of persons for trial and tried

35. The total number of persons for trial before these Courts was 22,237, of whom 21,795 were dealt with in the year. The results were as follows :—

Results.

	1884.	1885.	1886.
Discharged	8,796	9,615	8,430
Convicted	14,829	14,882	13,365

Punishments.

Of the 13,365 persons convicted in 1886, 9,633 were detained in simple custody and 3,732 were confined in stocks.

3.—Regular Magistrates' Courts in the Mufassal.

A.—Original Jurisdiction.

Cases filed.

36. Statements E 1 to E 7 in the Appendix contain, by Districts, details of the work of the several classes of regular Magisterial Courts in the mufassal. The number of cases filed in these Courts is compared for the past three years in the following table :—

	1884.	1885.	1886.
Benches of Magistrates... ...	30,454	33,444	29,563
Special Magistrates	1,815	1,935	3,368
Other Subordinate Magistrates...	115,590	123,923	117,488
District Magistrates	142	177	123
	148,001	159,484	150,542

Decrease.

37. There was a decrease of nearly 9,000 cases in 1886 and it was most noticeable in the Districts given below :—

	1885.	1886.
Madura	15,593	12,118
Trichinopoly	9,589	8,021
Vizagapatam	8,397	7,472
Salem	6,309	5,471
Ganjam	7,031	6,247
Chingleput	8,658	7,883

Variations in different classes of Courts Benches of Magistrates.

38. There was a falling off of 3,881 cases in the files of Benches of Magistrates and the variations were very striking in the following Districts :—

	1885.	1886.
Decrease.		
Madura	3,169	1,777
South Arcot	2,133	1,456
Tanjore	5,229	4,623
Godavari	2,849	2,307
Trichinopoly	2,339	1,826
Increase.		
Bellary	4,356	5,581
Cuddapah	428	947

Special Magistrates.

The increase of 1,433 cases on the files of Special Magistrates' Courts was due to the increase in the number of such Magistrates, certain Sub-Registrars being invested during the year with 3rd Class Magisterial powers under Section 14 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

Other Subordinate Magistrates.

The decrease of 6,440 cases in the other Subordinate Magistrates' Courts was chiefly in the following Districts :—

	1885.	1886.
Madura	12,184	10,186
Trichinopoly	7,241	6,173
Vizagapatam	7,136	6,245
North Arcot	6,477	5,696
Nilgiris	1,966	1,217

Only 123 cases were filed during the year in the Courts of District Magistrates against 177 in 1885. There was a decrease in the following Districts :— District Magistrates.

	1885.	1886.
Ganjam	39	15
Cuddapah	13	...
Coimbatore	14	3
Nilgiris	23	15

The only District where there was any noticeable increase was Trichinopoly (from 9 to 22). No cases were instituted before the District Magistrates of Anantapur, Cuddapah, Kistna and Madura during the year.

Disposal of Cases.

·39. Including 2,117 cases pending at the commencement of the year and cases received by transfer, and excluding those transferred, or in which the accused died or escaped, the number for disposal in the regular mufassal Magisterial Courts was 152,973, of which 151,101 were disposed of and 1,872 were pending at the close of the year. The following table shows how the work was distributed among the various classes of Courts in the last three years :—

	Disposed of.			Pending.		
	1884.	1885.	1886.	1884.	1885.	1886.
Benches of Magistrates	30,716	33,316	29,473	49	124	109
Special Magistrates...	1,925	1,988	3,334	30	29	27
Other Subordinate Magistrates ...	113,358	123,240	118,150	1,543	1,960	1,733
District Magistrates	171	211	144	6	4	3
	146,170	158,755	151,101	1,628	2,117	1,872

Cases under Sec. 349, Cr. P. C.

The returns for 1886 for the first time distinguished cases referred under Section 349 from cases under Section 347, Criminal Procedure Code. There were 525 cases under Section 349 for disposal during the year, of which 518 were decided, leaving 7 cases pending at the end of the year. The Districts which disposed of the largest number of such cases were Madura (87), Malabar (50) and Coimbatore (43).

Arrears.

40. Of the 1,872 cases pending at the close of the year, there were 188 cases in Madura, 176 in Tinnevelly and 159 in Godavari. Though there was a slight decrease in the percentage of arrears to the total work for disposal, viz., from 1·31 in 1885 to 1·22 in 1886, yet it is not a matter for congratulation, as the total number disposed of in 1886 was less than the number in 1885 by 7,654.

Disposals by different classes of Courts. Benches of Magistrates.

41. The large decrease in the disposals by Benches of Magistrates was due to the smaller number of cases instituted before them. The decrease was striking in Madura (1,396), South Arcot (711), Tanjore (598) and Godavari (542).

Special Magistrates.

As stated in para. 38 of the report, the increase was due to the large number of Sub-Registrars having been invested with criminal powers. In Nilgiris, North Arcot, Vizagapatam and Kistna, in which no cases were disposed of by Special Magistrates in 1885, there were 815, 202, 200 and 133 cases, respectively, decided in 1886.

Other Subordinate Magistrates.

It is satisfactory to note that the other Subordinate Magistrates disposed of 662 cases more than the number instituted during the year. Trichinopoly disposed of 145 cases over the institutions, South Arcot 116, Malabar 111, Madura 103 and Tanjore 102.

District Magistrates.

No original criminal work was done by the District Magistrates of North Arcot and Cuddapah. The District Magistrate of Ganjam tried 17 cases or 22 less than in 1885, Coimbatore 7, or 14 less and Nellore 3, or 13 less. In the Districts named in the margin, the District Magistrates disposed of the smallest number of cases.

Chingleput	1
Kistna	1
Tanjore	1
Anantapur	2
Madura	2
Salem	2

Persons for trial, tried and remaining.

42. The total number of persons for trial and dealt with by the regular Magisterial Courts during the past three years, including the persons standing over for trial at the beginning of each year and excluding those who died or escaped, was as shown below :—

Year.	For trial.	Dealt with.	Pending at the end of the year.
1884	286,525	281,236	5,289
1885	309,947	303,619	6,328
1886	299,505	293,830	5,675

Results.

Of the 293,830 persons dealt with during the year, 3,346 were committed or referred to higher Courts. The results as regards the remainder are exhibited below according to the classes of Courts and the powers of the Magistrates by whom they were tried :—

	Discharged.		Convicted. On regular trial.		Convicted. On summary trial.		Percentage of convictions.	
	1885.	1886.	1885.	1886.	1885.	1886.	1885.	1886.
Benches of Magistrates...	12,248	10,697	2,736	1,668	24,344	22,886	68·9	69·6
Special Magistrates ...	2,369	2,395	1,310	2,538	...	...	34·2	51·4
Other Subordinate Magistrates	171,557	172,990	82,480	74,665	2,328	2,389	33·8	30·8
District Magistrates ...	210	138	183	87	36	31	51·1	46·0
	186,384	186,220	86,709	78,958	26,708	25,306	37·8	35·8
1st Class Magistrates ...	7,550	7,537	3,133	3,030	2,435	2,446	42·4	42·0
2nd do. do. ...	158,946	157,273	72,273	63,509	9,340	4,543	34·2	30·0
3rd do. do. ...	19,888	21,410	10,303	12,419	14,933	18,317	55·9	58·9
	186,384	186,220	86,709	78,958	26,708	25,306	37·8	35·8

Percentage of convictions. District variations.

There has been a steady decrease in the proportion of persons convicted since 1884. Bellary, Nilgiris and Trichinopoly came out with the highest percentages as in the previous year, viz., (61·5), (60·2) and (53·2) respectively, and the lowest percentages were in Salem (20·1), South Canara (23·5), Godavari (24·5) and Kurnool (26·2). The District Magistrate of Salem reports "The Police seem to have lost the art of detecting crime and require thoroughly re-organizing."

Persons pending.

Of the 5,675 persons standing over for trial, 474 were in custody and 5,201 were on bail or otherwise at large.

Of these, 112 had been under trial for more than six months, 47 being in Salem.

Punishments.

43. The sentences passed on the persons convicted by these Courts are shown below and the totals compared with those of the previous year :—

	Imprisonment. Rigorous. With solitary conft.	Imprisonment. Rigorous. Without solitary conft.	Imprisonment. Simple.	Forfeiture of property. Alone.	Forfeiture of property. With other punishments.	Fine. Alone.	Fine. With other punishments.	Whipping. Alone.	Whipping. With other punishments.	Orders to give securities under § 106 Cr.P.C.	§ 107 Cr.P.C.	§§ 109 & 110 Cr.P.C.	Dealt with under Special Acts.
Benches of Magistrates	62	278	...	...	24,175	13	2	...	...	...	...	...	37
Special do.	108	62	...	...	2,363	42	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Subte. do. ...	330	13,237	2,075	1	10	59,298	3,262	1,136	123	64	222	37	664
District do. ...	4	59	7	...	...	44	9	3	1	...	...	1	...
Total...	334	13,466	2,422	1	10	85,880	3,326	1,146	124	64	222	38	701
Compare 1885...	122	14,903	3,160	2	8	92,978	3,490	1,299	154	89	150	67	736

44. There was a striking improvement over last year in the number of sentences of solitary confinement awarded. The only two Districts where recourse was not had to this mode of punishment were South Arcot and Cuddapah. The highest numbers of such sentences were in Ganjam (53), Coimbatore (47), Malabar (42) and Vizagapatam Agency (37). Many Magistrates do not appear to have taken notice of para. 14 of G. O. No. 284, dated 30th January 1886, to the effect that more frequent use of this description of punishment should be resorted to. Details of punishments. Imprisonments—solitary.

The figures below show the details of the terms of imprisonment awarded in the past two years :— Terms.

	Rigorous.		Simple.	
	1885.	1886.	1885.	1886.
Not exceeding 15 days ...	3,734	3,287	2,569	1,848
,, 6 months ...	10,414	9,757	661	566
,, 2 years ...	910	780	9	15
Exceeding 2 years ...	9	6	...	1
Total...	15,067	13,830*	3,239	2,430*

Rigorous imprisonment was awarded in 85 per cent. of the sentences.

The sentences of fine passed during the past two years are shown below in detail :— Fines.

	1885.	1886.
Not exceeding 10 Rupees	90,206	82,874
,, 50 ,, ...	5,689	5,891
,, 100 ,, ...	425	344
,, 500 ,, ...	153	92
,, 1,000 ,, ...	4	5
Exceeding 1,000 ,, ...	...	...
	96,477	89,206

The average fine is the same as in the two previous years, viz., Rupees 4.

The amounts of fine imposed during the year and the amounts realized and paid in compensation are given below :— Amounts imposed and realized.

	Imposed.	Realized.	Percentage.	Compensation paid to complainants.	Percentage to realizations.
1885...	Rs. 3,94,434	Rs. 2,97,669	75·4	Rs. 27,586	9·6
1886...	,, 3,63,148	,, 2,82,853	77·8	,, 20,617	7·2

In 1886 the percentage of realizations was 2 per cent. better than in 1885. It was high in Bellary (97·6), Trichinopoly (92·8), North Arcot (91·4) and Madura (90·5), and low in Ganjam (60·1), Salem (67·7) and Malabar (69·8). Rupees 5,402 were collected out of the fines imposed in the previous years, thus making a total of Rupees 2,88,255 as against Rupees 3,04,614 in 1885. The proportion of fines paid as compensation was 2 per cent. less than in the previous year.

The details of the sentences of whipping are :— Whipping.

	1885.	1886.
Not exceeding 10 stripes	515	390
,, 20 ,, ...	709	634
,, 30 ,, ...	229	246
	1,453	1,270

Of these, 538 were juveniles, 532 of whom were whipped in lieu of, and 6 in addition to, other punishments. Anantapur, Kurnool, Tinnevelly, Cuddapah and

* These figures include 30 and 8 persons respectively who were imprisoned in default of furnishing security for good behaviour during the year.

Salem had recourse to this species of punishment very sparingly, viz., 6, 14, 15, 16 and 17 respectively.

Security for peace

Of the 286 persons called upon to furnish security to keep the peace, 62 were in Madura. The reason assigned by the District Magistrate is "There existed a strong faction between the Shanars and other castes, which resulted in several serious riots and had to be checked by strong measures."

Security for good behaviour.

The number of persons imprisoned for failing to furnish security for good behaviour was 38, of whom 8 were punished with simple, and 30 with rigorous, imprisonment.

Persons convicted under Special Acts.

The number of persons dealt with under Special Acts (Act XIII of 1859, Act I of 1871, &c.) was 701. Of these, 261 were in Nellore, and 137 in the Nilgiris. There is always a large number of discharges under the Cattle Trespass Act. The reason assigned by the District Magistrate of Tinnevelly is "The Sub-Magistrates are loth to convict on charges of forcible rescue of cattle, the reason being that the Cattle Trespass Act is so freely resorted to, not because the ryot is more careful over the protection of his crops, but because it is such a handy instrument for factious purposes and indirectly for the preparation of evidence in support of claims to disputed lands. The statements recorded in these cases are often afterwards used in the Civil Courts as proof of title."

Appealable and non-appealable sentences.

45. The number of persons on whom appealable and non-appealable sentences were passed by the Magistracy is as follows:—

	Appealable.		Non-appealable.	
	Regular.	Summary.	Regular.	Summary.
Benches of Magistrates	1,668	22,334	..	552
Special Magistrates	2,533	...	5	...
Other Subordinate Magistrates ...	73,660	80	1,005	2,309
District Magistrates	78	1	9	30
	77,939	22,415	1,019	2,891

Quality of work done.

46. To show the quality of work done, the appealable sentences passed are distributed below according to the powers of Magistrates that passed them and the number and result of appeals therefrom:—

Appeal test.

	2nd and 3rd Class Magistrates.	1st Class Magistrates.
Number of persons against whom appealable sentences were passed...	98,124	2,230
Number of persons who appealed to Sub-divisional and District Magistrates	11,174	...
Number of persons whose appeals were decided ...	11,208	...
Number of persons whose sentences were confirmed.	6,268	
Number of appellants to Courts of Session ...	...	1,078
Number of do. whose cases were decided ...	...	1,102
Number of do. whose sentences were confirmed	...	727
Sub-divisional and District Magistrates' Courts ... — Percentage of appellants to appealable sentences ...	11·3	...
Sub-divisional and District Magistrates' Courts ... — Percentage of sentences confirmed...	55·9	...
Sessions Courts ... — Percentage of appellants to appealable sentences ...	...	48 3
Sessions Courts ... — Percentage of sentences confirmed	...	65·9

The average duration of the cases decided by the several classes of Magistrates was as follows:— Duration test.

	1885.	1886.
Benches of Magistrates	1½ days.	1½ days.
Special Magistrates	7 „	4 „
Other Subordinate Magistrates... ...	6 „	7 „
District Magistrates	9 „	7 „

The improvement over last year was very marked in the Special Magistrates' and District Magistrates' Courts. The best averages were in the Nilgiris (1 day), Bellary (2) and Chingleput (3), and the worst in Tinnevelly (12), and in South Canara, Coimbatore, Ganjam, Kistna and Salem (8 in each).

47. The number of witnesses examined and the number detained for more than three days in the several classes of Courts were as follows:— Detention of witnesses.

	Examined.		Detained beyond 3 days.	
	1885.	1886.	1885.	1886.
Benches of Magistrates ...	24,774	23,819	82	501
Special Magistrates	4,540	6,240	198	99
Other Subordinate Magistrates...	298,492	287,630	15,897	10,574
District Magistrates	937*	519	53	29
	328,743	318,208	16,230	11,203

The percentage of witnesses detained beyond three days to the total number examined was 3·5 in 1886 as against 4·9 in 1885. The marked increase in the number detained in the Courts of Bench Magistrates was due to the large number (404) kept for more than three days in the Court of the Madura Bench Magistrates.

The total amount paid to witnesses on account of diet and travelling expenses was Rupees 28,623 in 1886 as against Rupees 24,126 in 1885. In Vizagapatam and Malabar, the largest amounts, viz., Rupees 4,267 and Rupees 3,641 respectively, were paid. Dieting of witnesses.

B.—Appellate and Revisional Jurisdiction.

48. The number of appeals instituted in the year was 4,897. The increase was chiefly contributed by Malabar (109), Coimbatore (63) and Madura and Tinnevelly (48 each). The only District where there was any noticeable decrease was Salem (60). Institutions.—Statement G1.

	1884.	1885.	1886.
Sub-divisional (1st Class) Magistrates	4,147	4,291	4,613
District Magistrates...	337	362	284
	4,484	4,653	4,897

49. The number of appeals disposed of and pending during the past three years is shown in the margin. These figures include appeals pending at the beginning of the year and exclude those abated by death or escape of accused persons. Disposals.

	Disposed of.			Pending.		
	1884.	1885.	1886.	1884.	1885.	1886.
Sub-divisional Magistrates ..	4,153	4,253	4,654	195	244	247
District Magistrates ...	306	269	206	17	10	15
	4,459	4,522	4,860	212	254	262

There was an increase of 401 appeals in the disposals by the Sub-divisional Magistrates and a decrease of 63 by the District Magistrates. The District Magistrates of South Arcot, Chingleput, Cuddapah, Godavari, Madura and Tanjore neither received nor disposed of any appeals. In Ganjam, the District Magistrate received 52 appeals and disposed of 42. Though the District Magistrate of Malabar received 46, he disposed of only 8, transferring the rest. Except Ganjam (42), South Canara (28) and Tinnevelly (23), the District Magistrates of other Districts have not done a fair share of the appellate work.

Average duration.

50. The average duration, in days, of appeals was:—

	1885.	1886.
Sub-divisional Magistrates	19	23
District Magistrates	13	19

Appellants concerned and disposed of.

51. The number of appellants concerned in cases received during the year was 11,174. Including persons who awaited trial at the beginning of the year, and excluding those who died or escaped, there were 11,902 for trial, of whom 11,208 were disposed of as follows:—

	Disposed of.		Pending.	
	1885.	1886.	1885.	1886.
Sub-divisional Magistrates...	9,724	10,781	757	646
District Magistrates	636	427	15	48
	10,360	11,208	772	694

Results.

	Rejected.	Confirmed.	Varied.	Reversed.	Quashed.	New trial ordered.
Sub-divisional Magistrates.	938	5,103	932	3,626	29	153
District Magistrates ...	14	213	50	145	3	2
Total ...	952	5,316	982	3,771	32	155
Compare 1885 ...	867	5,203	905	3,190	52	143
Percentage. 1885 ...	8·4	50·2	8·7	30·8	0·5	1·4
Percentage. 1886 ...	8·5	47·4	8·8	33·6	0·3	1·4

The proportion of wholly unsuccessful appellants was highest in Malabar (63·5), Kistna (63·4) and North Arcot (61·1), and lowest in Nellore (31·6), Bellary (41·7) and South Canara (44·1).

Revision cases.—Statement H.

52. The number of revision cases received, disposed of and pending is shown in the margin. Of the 447 cases received, 396 came up on application and 51 were taken up of the Courts' own motion.

	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.
Sub-divisional Magistrates	2	2	...
District Magistrates	445	448	10*
	447	450	10

Persons dealt with.

The number of accused persons before the Courts in revision was 1,576, of whom 1,477 were dealt with and 99 awaited trial at the end of the year. The results were as follows:—

	Interference declined.	Proceedings quashed.	Committal or enquiry ordered.	Referred to District Magistrates.	Referred to High Court.
Sub-divisional Magistrates	...	...	...	3	...
District Magistrates ...	1,123	36	215	...	95
Total....	1,123	36	215	3	95
Compare 1885...	807	26	177	8	93

4.—COURTS OF SESSION.

A.—Original Jurisdiction.

Institutions.—Statement E8.

53. During the year 972 cases were committed for trial before the Sessions Courts. The commitments of the past three years are given below:—

1884.	1885.	1886.
1,021	1,149	972

* The number of pending cases at the end of 1885 was 12, but the returns for 1886 show 13. The increase of 1 case is in South Canara. The District Magistrate reports that the return for 1885 was incorrect.

The decrease was very noticeable in Trichinopoly (46), Nellore (31), North Arcot (23), Salem and Kurnool (18 each) and South Malabar (15).

54. Including 16 cases pending at the beginning of the year and those received by transfer or on reference, and excluding those transferred and in which the accused died or escaped, there were 992 for disposal, of which 978 were disposed of and 14 were pending at the end of the year. In 63 of the cases decided, either the prosecution was withdrawn or suspended, or the accused pleaded guilty, or the commitments were quashed by the High Court. Of the remaining 915 cases, 356 were tried by Jury and 559 with Assessors. In over 96 per cent. of the cases, the Judges concurred with the verdict of the Jury. As in the previous year, in Madura the Judge differed from the Jury in the largest number of cases, namely, in 6 out of 43 cases, but in none of them was reference made under Section 307, Criminal Procedure Code. In Assessors' cases, the Courts agreed with the opinions of the Assessors in 75 per cent. of the cases; in 7 per cent. they differed from one Assessor, in 1 per cent. from the majority of Assessors and in 17 per cent. from all. The Sessions Judge of Tinnevelly disagreed with the Assessors in 18 out of 39 cases and the Salem Judge in 13 out of 27 cases. Disposals.

	Decided.	Pending.
1884	1,017	17
1885	1,151	16
1886	978	14

Trials by Jury and with Assessors.—Statement F.

55. The number of persons for trial, tried and pending before Sessions Courts during the past three years, including the persons who awaited trial at the beginning of each year and excluding those who died or escaped, is shown below:— Persons for trial, tried and pending.

	1884.	1885.	1886.
For trial	1,990	2,562	2,100
Dealt with...	1,964	2,513	2,078
Pending	26	49	22

Of the 22 persons awaiting trial at the end of the year, 6 were in Trichinopoly and 5 in Tanjore.

56. Of the 2,078 persons disposed of, 69 were referred to the High Court under Sections 307 and 374 of the Criminal Procedure Code, and the results, as affecting the remaining 2,009, were as follows:— Results.

	Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Percentage of convictions.
1885	1,265	1,134	47·3
1886	1,130	879	43·7

The variations in the percentage of convictions in different districts are exhibited below:— District variations.

High.		Low.	
Nilgiris	66·6	Kurnool	22·3
Chingleput	65·6	Cuddapah	23·4
North Arcot	55·1	Kistna	30·1

57. The punishments awarded were as below:— Punishments.

			1885.	1886.
Transportation.	For life		110	90
	For a term		35	22
Imprisonment...	Rigorous	with solitary confinement ...	29	28
		without " ...	908	700
	Simple		43	29
Fine	Alone		1	6
	With other punishments		65	63
Whipping ...	Alone		8	4
	With other punishments		4	9

The particulars of imprisonment and fines were as follows:—

Imprisonment.

	Rigorous. 1885.	Rigorous. 1886.	Simple. 1885.	Simple. 1886.
Not exceeding 15 days	2	2	14	6
" 6 months	104	111	24	20
" 2 years	203	211	5	3
" 7 years	560	359	...	...
Exceeding 7 years	68	45	...	...

Fines.

	1885.	1886.
Fines not exceeding . 10 Rupees	4	4
" 50 "	26	21
" 100 "	10	10
" 500 "	15	29
" 1,000 "	6	5
Exceeding 1,000 "	5	...
The amounts imposed were ... ... Rupees	28,959	14,521
" realized ... ... "	2,550	2,756
Percentage	8·8	18·9

The high percentage of realizations shows that better discretion was used in passing sentences of fine according to the means of persons fined.

Including Rupees 1,902 recovered on account of fines imposed in previous years, the total collections were Rupees 4,658 as against Rupees 5,237 in 1885; and of this sum, Rupees 833 were paid to complainants as compensation as compared with Rupees 558 in 1885.

Whipping.

The sentences of whipping were:—

	1885.	1886.
10 stripes and under	2	2
20 " ...	5	2
30 "	5	9

Two of these 13 were juveniles.

Quality of work done.

58. Of the 879 persons on whom sentences were passed by Sessions Courts, 858 persons had right of appeal. The number and result of appeals preferred by them were as follows:—

Appeal test

Number of persons against whom appealable sentences were passed	858
Number of appellants to High Court	730
Number of appellants whose cases were decided.	689
Number of sentences confirmed	563
Percentage of appellants to appealable sentences.	85·0
Percentage of sentences confirmed	81·7

Duration test.

The average duration of cases was 23 days, being highest in Kurnool (44), Chingleput (38), Tanjore (33) and Coimbatore (31), and lowest in Ganjam (15).

Detention of witnesses.

59. The number of witnesses examined by Sessions Courts in the year was 7,151 as against 8,018 in the previous year. The number detained for over three days was 3,156 as against 3,676 in 1885. The smallest number was in Nellore (1), Chingleput (7) and North Malabar (16). No witness was detained beyond three days in the Nilgiris. The largest number was in Tinnevelly (394), Bellary (391) and Madura (351).

Dieting.

A sum of Rupees 26,604 was paid on account of diet-money, &c., to witnesses, giving an average of about $3\frac{3}{4}$ Rupees per witness examined. Bellary (Rupees 3,217), Coimbatore (Rupees 2,737) and Tinnevelly (Rupees 2,111) paid the largest amounts.

B.—Appellate and Revisional Jurisdiction.

60. As observed in the report for 1885, the increase in appeals is kept up as is shown in the margin. It chiefly occurred in South Arcot (35), Coimbatore (30), Madura (24) and South Malabar (21). Institutions.—Statement G2.

1884 ..	...	510
1885...	...	586
1886 ..	...	659

Including appeals pending at the commencement of the year, and excluding those abated by death or escape of persons, the numbers disposed of compare as follows :— Disposals.

Disposed of.			Pending.		
1884.	1885.	1886.	1884.	1885.	1886.
507	563	675	33	53	36

The numbers disposed of and pending compare favorably with the preceding year. There were no arrears in South Arcot, Chingleput, Cuddapah, Godavari and Nellore.

The average duration of appeals was 29 days. Average duration.

61. The number of appellants was 1,193, of whom 1,102 were disposed of with the following results :— Appellants concerned and disposed of.

	Rejected.	Confirmed.	Varied.	Reversed.	Quashed.	New trial ordered.	Pending.
	250	477	128	244	...	3	91
Compare 1885.	244	384	93	180	...	1	123

The proportion of wholly unsuccessful appellants was highest in Vizagapatam (91·5), Tinnevelly (84·0) and Madura (83·8), and lowest in Godavari (39·5) and Coimbatore (46·5). In Nilgiris, the only sentence appealed against was confirmed.

62. The number of revision cases received, disposed of and pending was 339, 329 and 24* respectively. Of those received, 300 came up on application and 39 were taken up of the Courts' own motion. Revision cases.

The number of persons concerned in revision cases was 950, of whom 872 were dealt with and 78 were awaiting disposal. The results were as shown below :— Persons dealt with.

	Interference declined.	Proceedings quashed.	Committal or enquiry ordered.	Referred to High Court.
	680	26	79	87
Compare 1885	... 446	39	96	94

5.—PRESIDENCY MAGISTRATES' COURTS.

63. In the year under review, 30,059 cases were received in the two Courts of Presidency Magistrates as detailed in the margin. It is seen that there has been a steady increase in the number of cases instituted. As remarked in the previous year's report, most of these were cases under the Municipal and Police Acts, and cases of criminal force and assault. Institutions.

	1884.	1885.	1886.
Egmore Court ...	...11,185	11,547	12,293
Black Town do. ...	...15,477	15,984	17,766
	26,662	27,531	30,059

Including 21 cases pending at the beginning of the year, there were 30,080 for disposal, of which 30,050 were disposed of, leaving 30 cases pending at the end of Disposals.

* Out of 15 cases pending at the beginning of 1886, the Sessions Judge of Kistna reported that one out of 3 pending on his file was treated as an appeal.

the year. The average number of cases decided per Magistrate was 21 in the Egmore Court and 31 in the Black Town Court. The results of the past three years are given below:—

	Disposed of.			Pending.		
	1884.	1885.	1886.	1884.	1885.	1886.
Egmore Court * ...	11,186	11,546	12,286	1	2	9
Black Town Court.	15,473	15,982	17,764	17	19	21
Total ..	26,659	27,528	30,050	18	21	30

Persons for trial, tried and pending.

64. The total number of persons for trial, tried and pending before these Courts during the past three years is shown below:—

	1884.	1885.	1886.
For disposal	33,186	33,967	38,029
Dealt with	33,160	33,935	37,988
Pending trial	26	32	41

Results.

Of the 37,988 persons dealt with in the year, 62 were committed to the High Court, and the results as affecting the rest are shown below:—

	1885.	1886.	Percentage of convictions. 1885.	1886.
Discharged or acquitted	5,237	6,490		
Convicted { on regular trial ...	116	124	84·5	82·9
Convicted { „ summary „ ...	28,493	31,312		

Work of Commissioner of Police.

65. As a Magistrate under Act VIII of 1867 (Madras) the Commissioner of Police received 15 cases affecting 17 persons. All of them were discharged.

Punishments.

66. The following punishments were awarded to the persons convicted during the year:—

	1885.	1886.
Rigorous imprisonment with solitary confinement ...	17	10
Do. without „ ...	649	860
Simple „ „ ...	63	61
Fine ... { Alone	27,400	30,093
Fine ... { With other punishments	105	67
Whipping ... { Alone	249	191
Whipping ... { With other punishments	11	7
Orders to give securities under { § 106	49	20
Orders to give securities under { „ 107	1	...
„ to fulfil contracts	230	221

Imprisonment.

The terms of imprisonment varied as follows:—

	Rigorous. 1885.	Rigorous. 1886.	Simple. 1885.	Simple. 1886.
Not exceeding 15 days	146	243	48	56
„ 6 months... ...	408	508	15	5
„ 2 years	112	119	...	...

Fines.

	1885.	1886.	
The fines were under 10 Rs. against ...	27,328	29,990	persons.
„ 50 „ ...	145	143	„
„ 100 „ ..	18	19	„
„ 500 „ ...	14	8	„

The amount imposed was Rupees 33,050, of which Rupees 27,666 or 83 per cent. were recovered, out of which Rupees 2,003 were paid to complainants as compensation.

Whipping.

Of the persons whipped, 119 received 10 stripes and less.

77 „ 20 „

and 2 „ 30 „

105 of them were juveniles.

67. Of the 31,436 sentences noted above, the number appealable was 124, of which 40 were appealed to the High Court. Including the two pending at the commencement of the year, the total for disposal was 42, of which 41 were disposed of with the result that the sentences were confirmed in 30, *i. e.*, 73 per cent. Results in appeal.

68. The number of witnesses examined in these Courts was 15,173 as compared with 12,442 in 1885. 108 witnesses were detained beyond three days as against 28 in the previous year. Detention of witnesses.

6. High Court.

A.—Original Jurisdiction.

(*a.*)—*Sessions Cases.*

69. In 1886, 56 cases were committed for trial before the High Court, 55 of which were sent up by the Presidency Magistrates and 1 by the District Magistrate of Bellary. Of these cases, 26 were cases of theft; 8 related to forgery, 7 were cases of cheating and 5 of grievous hurt and culpable homicide. There was only one case of murder in which two European British subjects were concerned. Institutions.

1884 ...	74
1885 ...	67
1886 ...	56

Including 1 case received by transfer, there were 57 cases for disposal. Of these, 51 cases were disposed of with the following results:— Disposals.

	Disposed of.	Pending.
1884 ...	73	1
1885 ...	68	...
1886 ...	51	6

Decided on confession	8
Tried by Common Jury	43
	51

70. The number of persons for trial, tried and pending, during the past 3 years was as follows:— Persons for trial and tried.

	1884.	1885.	1886.
For trial	98	83	97
Dealt with	97	83	90
Pending	1	...	7

The results of trial were:— Results.

	1885.	1886.
Discharged without trial	5	...
Discharged or acquitted on trial	17	34
Convicted	61	56
Percentage of convictions	78·2	62·2

71. The number of witnesses examined at the Sessions in 1886 was 376 as compared with 237 in the previous year. Witnesses.

72. The average duration of cases from date of commitment to judgment was 22 days as against 28 in 1885. Average duration.

(*b.*) *Cases under Section* 307, *Criminal Procedure Code.*

73. 6 cases of disagreement between Sessions Judges and Juries were submitted under Section 307, Criminal Procedure Code. In 4 of them the Jury were for acquittal and the Judge for conviction. With the 3 cases pending from the previous year, there were 9 cases for disposal, of which 7 were decided leaving 2 pending at the end of the year. In 2 out of the 7 cases decided, the verdict of the Jury was set aside, in one Cases under Section 307, Cr. P. C. For disposal. Disposed of and results.

1884 ...	10
1885 ...	16
1886 ...	6

conviction being recorded and in the other the prisoner being discharged; and in the remaining 5, it was upheld.

Persons concerned.

74. The number of persons concerned in these cases was 30. 27 of them were dealt with in the year with the following results :—

How disposed of.

Found guilty by High Court	1
Found not guilty by „	1
Verdict of guilty upheld	1
„ of not guilty „	24
	27

(c) *Cases under Section 374, Criminal Procedure Code.*

Cases under Section 374, Cr. P. C.

75. 45 cases in which capital sentences were passed, were submitted by Sessions Judges for confirmation under Section 374, Criminal Procedure Code. The largest number was from South Canara (8) and South Malabar (7). Including 12 cases pending at the commencement of the year, there were 57 cases for disposal. Of these, 51 cases were disposed of and 6 cases were pending at the close of the year.

1884 ...	70
1885 ...	67
1886 ...	45

Disposals.

Persons concerned.

76. The number of persons concerned in these cases was 73. The cases of 67 of them were disposed of and 6 persons awaited trial at the end of the year. The results were as follows :—

How disposed of.

	1885.	1886.
Acquitted	12	10
Convicted	48	52
New trial ordered...	4	5
	64	67

Punishments.

77. The number of persons convicted at the High Court Sessions and that under Sections 307 and 374 of the Criminal Procedure Code were 110 and the sentences passed on them were as follows :—

	1885.	1886.
Death	35	42
Transportation { For life	18	11
Transportation { For a term	2	...
Rigorous imprisonment with solitary confinement.	7	...
„ „ without „ ...	63	57
Fine { Alone	...	...
Fine { With other punishments		2
Orders to give security under § 106	1	...

Details.

All the 42 sentences of death were confirmations of those passed by Sessions Courts. Of the other sentences, 9 of life-transportation and 1 of rigorous imprisonment were passed in commutation of death sentences; and 1 of the former and 1 of the latter, in cases submitted under Section 307.

The terms of rigorous imprisonment awarded were as below :—

	1885.	1886.
Not exceeding 6 months	9	1
„ 2 years	10	14
„ 7 „	50	38
Exceeding 7 „	1	4

B.—Appellate and Revisional Jurisdiction.

78. 570 appeals were filed in the High Court during the year under review. Appeals.—Statements I and J.

	1884.	1885.	1886.
Presidency Magistrates	8	17	40
Sessions Courts	508	605	529
Civil and Military Station, Bangalore ...	...	...	1
	516	622	570

These appeals are distributed below according to their nature:— Nature.

	1884.	1885.	1886.
Appeals from persons under sentence of death	61	60	52*
Do. *i. e.* cases submitted under § 307.	10	15	6
Do. from other convicted persons ...	434	529	456
Do. from judgments of acquittal ...	11	18	56
	516	622	570

As remarked in the previous year's report, the appeals under the first head are disposed of along with the Referred Trials to which they relate and follow the results therein; and those under the second head are not, in fact, appeals from any sentence actually passed. The results of the disposal of these classes of cases are set forth in paras. 73 to 77 *supra*.

Under the other two heads, there were 78 appeals standing over from 1885. These with the 512 appeals received during the year, made 590 for disposal, of which 499 were disposed of, leaving 91 pending at the end of the year. The results were as follows:— Disposals.

	Disposed of.	Pending.
1884 ...	449	63
1885 ...	532	78
1886 ...	499	91

Results.

		Cases. 1885.	Cases. 1886.	Percentage. 1885.	Percentage. 1886.
Appeals from convictions...	Rejected summarily	243	197	45·68	39·48
	Sentence confirmed	157	156	29·51	31·26
	„ varied	86	52	16·16	10·42
	„ reversed	26	36	4·89	7·22
	New trial or further enquiry ordered.	...	5	...	1·00
„ from acquittals ...	Confirmed	11	5	2·07	1·00
	Reversed and conviction recorded	6	5	1·13	1·00
	Reversed and new trial ordered ...	3	43	·56	8·62
		532	499	100·00	100·00

79. The average duration of the appeals was 55 days against 49 days in 1885. Average duration.

80. The number of accused persons concerned in appeals received during the year was 902. Excluding the 73 persons connected with the cases submitted under Sections 374 and 307, and including the 123 persons pending at the commencement of the year, there were 952 for disposal, of whom 784 were disposed of and 168 awaited trial at the close of the year. The results were as below:— Persons concerned.

Results.

		1885.	1886.
Appeals from convictions...	In cases summarily rejected ...	414	305
	Confirmed	220	289
	Varied	107	70
	Reversed	48	54
	New trial ordered	...	13
		789	731
Appeals from acquittals ...	Confirmed	17	6
	Reversed and conviction recorded.	9	4
	New trial ordered	9	43
		35	53
		824	784

*Two of these were in a Referred Trial received in 1887.

Revision Cases.

81. The following table exhibits the revision work received :—

			1885.	1886.
Under § 432, Cr. P. C., from the Presidency Magistrates			1	...
" § 435 " taken up *suo motu* for revision of proceedings of	Sessions Judges ...		30	25
	District Magistrates ...		14	7
	Other Magistrates ...		21	16
" § 438 " reported by				
Sessions Judges "	District Magistrates ...		...	...
	Other Magistrates ...		109	92
District Magistrates "	Other Magistrates ...		302	348
" § 439 " on application "	Sessions Judges ...		68	58
	District Magistrates ...		14	15
	Other Magistrates ...		173	226
			732	787

Disposals and results.

82. The particulars of disposal are given below :—

	Pending from 1885.	For disposal.	Disposed of. Proceedings being Quashed.	Varied.	Not interfered with.	Enquiry ordered.	Total.	Pending at the end of 1886.
Under § 435	2	50	5	9	28	5	47	3
" § 438 reported by								
Sessions Judges.	8	100	24	17	23	11	75	25
District Magtes.	59	407	152	83	87	44	366	41
" § 439	51	350	26	14	210	27	277	73
Total...	120	907	207	123	348	87	765	142
Compare 1885...	84	815	184	95	354	62	695	120

On the whole, in 45 per cent. of the cases decided, the proceedings of the Courts below were not interfered with. In 69 per cent. of the cases reported by Sessions Judges and in 76 per cent. of those reported by District Magistrates, the proceedings were quashed or otherwise disturbed. The proportion of interference with Lower Courts' orders in cases in which revision was applied for by parties was 24 per cent.

Results affecting different classes of Courts.

83. The said results are exhibited below according to the Courts whose orders were the subject of revision :—

	Quashed.	Varied.	Not interfered with.	Enquiry ordered.	Total.
Presidency Magistrates	3	5	18	4	30
Other Subordinate Magistrates ...	190	108	262	75	635
District Magistrates...	4	1	13	4	22
Sessions Courts	10	9	55	4	78
Total...	207	123	348	87	765
Compare 1885...	184	95	354	62	695

Persons concerned.

84. The number of persons concerned in the cases for revision was 2,028. Of these, 1,608 were dealt with as shown below and 420 were pending.

Results.

	Persons. 1885.	1886.	Percentage. 1885.	1886.
Application summarily rejected	298	754	19·6	46·9
Proceedings not interfered with ...	524	153	34·5	9·5
Sentence or order quashed or set aside ...	396	332	26·0	20·6
" varied enhanced	24	12	1·6	·7
" varied reduced or altered ...	121	144	8·0	9·0
New trial or further enquiry ordered ...	157	213	10·3	13·3
	1,520	1,608	100·0	100·0

85. The High Court, in the exercise of its powers of superintendence and revision, received 849 Calendars of Sessions trials and 143 of trials by District Magistrates; also 617 of appeals heard by Sessions Judges and 220 of appeals heard by District Magistrates, making a total of 1,829, as compared with 2,237 cases in 1885. The decrease, as remarked in last year's report, was due to the rule of confining submission of Magisterial Calendars to those of District Magistrates and Sessions Judges. Including 90 Calendars standing over from the previous year, there were 1,919 for disposal, of which 1,732 were recorded on perusal and in 33, records of the Lower Courts were called for. 154 Calendars were pending perusal at the close of the year. Calendars of original trials and appeals supervised.

86. To recapitulate—the salient features in 1886 were, (*a*) in the case of the Magistracy, a decrease in the files before all classes of Courts and the quantity of work done by them, except in the case of the Special Magistrates whose file swelled owing to the increase in their number; the insignificant share taken by District Magistrates, as in 1885, in the disposal of both original and appellate work; an increase in the quantity of appellate work received and disposed of; a low percentage of sentences confirmed on appeal as compared with the preceding year; a striking improvement over last year in the number of sentences of solitary confinement awarded; and a better discrimination in awarding fines and greater promptitude in the examination of witnesses: (*b*) in the Sessions Courts, a decrease in the institution and disposal of original criminal work accompanied by an increase in the quantity of appellate work received and disposed of; and an improvement over 1885 in the percentage of realization of fines and in the speedy examination of witnesses: and (*c*) in the Presidency Magistrates' Courts, an increase in the quantity of work received and done; a higher percentage of realizations showing a better discretion in awarding sentences of fine according to the means of persons fined; and a larger amount of compensation given for vexatious complaints. Recapitulation of chief features in the business of Courts during 1886.

V.—Miscellaneous.

87. Statement M in the Appendix shows, according to Districts, the receipts and charges of all Criminal Courts. The net result was a deficit of Rupees 8,70,105. The details are shown below:— Receipts and charges.

	Receipts.			Charges.	
	1885.	1886.		1885.	1886.
Court Fees...	1,60,073	1,57,357	Salaries and contingencies ...	13,52,158	13,16,280
Fines	3,34,903	3,19,469	Refunds ...	35,315	35,153
Other items	22,310	27,095	Compensation...	29,641	22,593
Total...	5,17,286	5,03,921	Total...	14,17,114	13,74,026

88. In the beginning of 1887, most of the statements were simplified and the Lower Courts were directed to prepare and submit their returns in the revised statements. Simplification of returns.

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE,
MADRAS, 3rd *November* 1887.

W. MORGAN,
Ag. Registrar,
Appellate Side.

APPENDIX.

I.—Imperial Statements.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2, PART 1.—(CRIMINAL.)

Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Madras, in the year 1886.

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENCE.	Number of Cases.					Number of Persons.				
	Number of Offences reported	Complaints rejected under Sec 203, Cr. P. C.	Cases struck off as false.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial during the year.	Under trial during the year, including pending from previous years.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
UNDER THE INDIAN PENAL CODE.										
Offences against the State, Chap. VI	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to the Army and Navy, Chap. VII	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against public tranquillity, „ VIII	2,004	163	106	1,735	1,713	14,629	8,889	4,765	1	974
Offences by or relating to public servants „ IX	83	10	3	70	69	112	75	34	...	3
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chap. X	2,547	43	59	2,445	2 438	3,485	1,491	1,911	1	82
False evidence and offences against public justice, „ XI	969	63	34	872	856	1,502	734	693	...	75
Offences relating to coin and Government stamps, „ XII	138	5	17	116	116	148	80	66	...	2
Offences relating to weights and measures, „ XIII	223	7	18	198	198	303	128	147	...	28
Offences affecting public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chap. XIV.	6,589	97	142	6.350	6,338	8,890	2,571	6,266	3	50
Offences relating to religion, Chap. XV	111	19	4	88	87	299	223	67	...	9
Offences affecting the human body, Chap. XVI. — Offences affecting life	707	33	50	624	605	1,151	689	366	4	92
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and concealment of births	100	12	19	69	68	106	48	44	2	12
Hurt	10,802	861	336	9,602	9,125	26,214	21,729	4,066	1	418
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement	2,318	412	123	1,783	1,736	5,235	4,530	556	...	119
Criminal force and assault	33,084	1,750	1,012	30,322	25,591	67,990	59,490	7,910	1	589
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labor	188	48	9	131	126	386	255	64	...	17
Rape	105	19	17	69	65	93	77	14	...	2
Unnatural offences	8	2	2	4	4	15	10	5	...	...

Offences against property, Chap. XVII. — Theft ...	19,554	2,286	1,974	15,294	15,207	35,182	22,284	11,928	13	957
Extortion ...	468	86	17	365	361	1,054	937	79	...	38
Robbery and dacoity ...	590	98	88	404	394	1,602	1,128	339	1	134
Criminal misappropriation of property ...	724	95	30	599	597	1,173	741	402	...	30
Criminal breach of trust... ...	2,737	513	173	2,051	1,983	2,772	2,125	548	1	98
Receiving stolen property ...	559	11	15	533	531	758	279	457	1	21
Cheating ...	1,181	362	42	777	759	1,325	1,077	200	1	47
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property ...	172	32	6	134	133	483	385	88	...	10
Mischief ...	7,457	1,004	272	6,181	6,059	17,239	14,606	2,079	1	603
Criminal trespass ...	11,518	1,548	956	9,014	8,699	22,346	17,382	4,451	6	507
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chap. XVIII ...	286	63	6	218	218	710	612	47	...	51
Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chap. XIX ...	18	1	...	17	16	31	24	7	...	...
Offences relating to marriage, Chap. XX ...	1,034	111	69	854	820	1,644	1,428	162	...	54
Defamation, Chap. XXI ...	648	143	16	489	419	1,091	939	106	...	46
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chap. XXII ...	2,895	210	41	2,584	2,217	4,983	4,290	651	...	42
Total...	109,757	10,110	5,655	93,992	87,578	222,951	169,256	48,548	37	5,110
Under Special and Local Laws.										
Code of Criminal Procedure.										
Security for keeping the peace (Sections 107, 108 and 119) ...	51	...	2	49	48	413	195	217	...	1
Security for good behaviour (Sections 109 and 110) ...	55	...	2	53	52	153	108	43	1	1
Other laws—relating to										
Abkari, Acts III of 1864 and V of 1879 ...	6,352	92	68	6,192	8,158	7,342	1,570	5,662	2	108
Arms and Ammunitions, Acts XXXI of 1860 and XI of 1878 ...	592	6	6	580	576	683	198	480	...	5
Army, Act I of 1881 ...	2	...	...	2	2	3	1	2	...	...
Boundary, Act XXVIII of 1860 ...	58	4	2	52	51	88	63	23	...	2
Canal and Ferry, Act I of 1870 ...	7	1	...	6	6	17	11	6	...	...
Cantonments, Act I of 1866 ...	660	...	...	660	660	751	77	674	...	...

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2, PART 1.—(CRIMINAL.)—*Concluded.*

Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, convicted and quitted of each class of offence in the Province of Madras, in the year 1886.

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENCE.	NUMBER OF CASES.					NUMBER OF PERSONS.				
	Number of Offences reported.	Complaints rejected under Section 203, Cr. P. C.	Cases struck off as false.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial during the year.	Under trial during the year, including pending from previous years.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Cattle Trespass, Act I of 1871, and Pound, Act I of 1871	3,107	170	70	2,867	2,782	8,549	7,409	944	...	196
Code of Civil Procedure, Act XIV of 1882	52	2	1	49	47	77	45	28	...	4
Coffee Stealing Prevention, Act VIII of 1878	7	...	...	7	7	14	6	8	...	...
Compulsory Labor, Act I of 1858	24	...	...	24	24	54	35	19	...	...
Contagious Diseases, Act XIV of 1868	43	...	...	43	43	45	12	33	...	...
Contract, Act XIII of 1859	3,132	205	65	2,862	2,314	4,079	3,057	956	...	66
Customs, Act VIII of 1878	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Emigration, Act VII of 1871...	12	...	...	12	8	8	...	8	...	...
Forest, Act V of 1882 (Madras)	1,646	32	21	1,593	1,580	4,750	2,375	2,319	1	55
Game and Fish, Act II of 1879	5	...	...	5	5	10	...	10	...	...
Hackney and Stage Carriages, Act III of 1879	698	2	...	696	695	695	14	681	...	...
Jails, Act V of 1869 (Madras)	40	1	...	39	38	47	17	29	...	1
Labor-Contracts, Act V of 1866	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Local Funds, Act IV of 1871...	100	2	...	98	98	370	324	41	...	5
Merchants' Shipping, Acts I of 1859 and VII of 1880	16	...	...	16	16	46	14	32	...	...
Municipalities, Acts III of 1871 and IV of 1884	14,495	3	96	14,396	14,381	14,658	4,350	10,258	11	39
Native Passengers' Shipping, Act VIII of 1876	1	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...

Opium, Act I of 1878	192	6	6	180	180	254	116	134	...	4
Petroleum	3	...	...	3	3	3	1	2	...	...
Police, Act XXIV of 1859 — By Policemen	4,136	2	7	4 127	4,127	4,200	198	3,999	...	3
Police, Act XXIV of 1859 — By others	37,910	46	326	37,538	37,343	38,742	3,278	35,330	5	129
Police (Town), Act VIII of 1867 (Madras)	11,645	21	...	11,624	11,430	17,123	593	16,528	...	2
Ports, Acts IV of 1842, XXII of 1855 and XII of 1875	32	...	..	32	32	51	23	28	...	...
Post Office, Act XIV of 1866	17	...	...	17	17	23	13	8	...	2
Railways, Act IV of 1879	744	6	6	732	728	956	137	811	2	6
Receiving Soldiers' Necessaries, Act VII of 1879	18	...	...	18	18	23	3	20	...	...
Registration, Act III of 1877	20	...	...	20	20	71	31	40	...	...
Regulation of Police, Act V of 1861	5	...	...	5	5	5	...	5	...	...
Rent Recovery, Act VIII of 1865 (Madras)	2	...	...	2	2	10	7	3	..	...
Salt, Act I of 1882 (Madras)	8,580	...	7	8,573	8,569	8,664	160	8,502	...	2
Ship Registration, Act X of 1841	1	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...
Stamp, Act I of 1879	324	3	1	320	317	353	160	187	2	4
Telegraph, Act I of 1876	8	...	...	8	8	11	7	4	...	...
Treasure Trove, Act VI of 1878	6	1	...	5	5	8	5	3	...	...
Vagrancy, Act IX of 1874	5	...	...	5	5	5	...	5	...	...
Wild Elephants, Act I of 1873	1	...	...	1	1	3	...	3	..	...
Total Special and Local Laws ..	94,607	605	688	93,514	92,403	113,364	24,618	88,087	24	635
Grand Total	204,561	10,715	6 343	187,506	179,981	336,315	193 871	136,635	61	5,745

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2,

Statement showing the general result of the trial of European British

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENCE.	NUMBER OF PERSONS ACCUSED AND BROUGHT BEFORE A MAGISTRATE								PERSONS WHOSE CASES WERE										
		WITHIN THE YEAR.							BY DISTRICT MAGISTRATES AND OTHER FIRST CLASS MAGISTRATES.							BY COURTS OF SESSION.			
	Remaining at the close of the previous year.	On complaint, Sec. 191 (a), C. P. C.	On Police report, Sec. 191 (b) of the Code	By Magistrate suo motu, Sec. 191 (c) of the Code.	On transfer from another Province.	Total	Died, escaped or transferred to other Provinces.	Number actually brought to trial.	Received by transfer under Sec. 451 B of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	COMMITTED. To Court of Session.	COMMITTED. To High Court.	Transferred by order under Sec. 451 B of the Code.	Total omitting entries in Cols. 10 and 15.	Received by transfer under Sec. 451 B of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under Sec. 449 of the Code.	Total exclusive of Col. 17.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Offences by or relating to public servants, Chap IX	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	..	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Offences affecting public safety, Chap. XIV	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against the human body, Chap. XVI. — Offences affecting life	...	...	5	...	...	5	...	5	...	...	2	1	2	...	5	...	...	1	...	1
Offences against the human body, Chap. XVI. — Hurt	1	13	2	...	...	16	...	16	...	9	7	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against the human body, Chap. XVI. — Criminal force or assault. ...	1	29	...	...	...	30	...	30	...	15	15	...	...	...	30	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against property, Chap. XVII. — Theft ...	...	3	1	..	...	4	...	4	...	3	1	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against property, Chap. XVII. — Criminal misappropriation of property.	...	...	3	...	...	3	...	3	...	3	..	...	..	...	3	...	...	...	..	...
Offences against property, Chap. XVII. — Cheating ...	...	1	..	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	...	..	...	1	...	...	...	...	..
Offences against property, Chap. XVII. — Mischief ..	1	6	...	...	...	7	...	7	...	3	3	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against property, Chap. XVII. — Criminal trespass...	...	6	1	...	..	7	...	7	...	6	1	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...
Defamation, Chap. XXI	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	..	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chap. XXII ...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Offences under Special and Local Laws.	2	12	17	...	...	31	...	31	...	26	5	...	...	...	31	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	5	76	29	...	...	110	...	110	...	67	39	1	2	...	109	...	...	1	...	1

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PART 2.—(CRIMINAL.)

Subjects in the Province of Madras, in the year 1886.

DISPOSED OF.							NUMBER OF CASES.						SUBSIDIARY TABLE.										
BY HIGH COURT.			TOTAL FOR ALL COURTS.																				
Convicted.	Acquitted.	Total.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Total.	Number of persons under trial at the close of the year.	Brought to trial.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Number of persons who applied to the High Court for an order under Sec. 456 of the Code.	Of those entered in Col. 5, number who applied under Sec. 2, Act. III of 1884, for transfer or committal of their cases.	Number of persons who applied to the High Court under Sec. 526 of the Code for transfer of their cases.	Of the total number of persons shown in							Of cases shown in Col. 30.			
													Col. 16.			Col. 21.		Cols. 21 & 24.		Disposed of by Magistrates.		Disposed of by Ses. Judges.	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35							36			
													Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, Section 451 A (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number of those in Column 35 (1) whose cases were transferred under Section 451 B of the Code.	Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors, Section 451 (2) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, Section 451 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Being European British Subjects.	Other than European British Subjects.	Being European British Subjects.	Other than European British Subjects.
...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...											
...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...											
...	...	...	...	3	3	2	5	3	2	...	...	...											
...	...	...	9	7	16	...	16	16	...	...	...	...											
...	...	...	15	15	30	...	28	28	...	...	...	...											
...	...	...	3	1	4	...	3	3	...	...	...	...											
...	...	...	3	...	3	...	3	3	...	...	...	...											
...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...											
...	...	...	3	3	6	1	6	5	1	...	...	...											
...	...	...	6	1	7	...	7	7	...	...	...	...											
													(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
...	...	...	...	2	2	...	2	2	...	...	...	...											
...	...	...	1	1	2	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	2	95	...	...	...	1	...	97	...	1	...
...	...	...	26	5	31	...	26	26	...	...	...	...											
...	...	...	67	40	107	3	101	98	3	...	...	...											

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 3.—(CRIMINAL.)

Statement of Miscellaneous Proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code in the Province of Madras, in the year 1886.

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS.	Total number of cases before the Courts during the year.	Number of persons concerned.	Number of persons discharged.	Number of persons convicted.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6
1. Proceedings against witnesses under Chap. VI and XXXV ...	8	11	2	8	
2. Proceedings under Chap. VIII to prevent breach of the peace ..	112	596	172	312	
3. Proceedings under Chap. VIII.—Security for good behaviour .	48	136	94	38	
4. Proceedings against local nuisances, Chap. X	211	464	67	18	
5. Possession, Chap. XII	82	304	104	83	
6. Frivolous or vexations complaints summarily dealt with under Chap. XX, Sec. 250	504	553	14	533	
7. Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chap. XXIII ..	38	38	3	35	
8. Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI	1,971	1,971	479	513	
9. Forfeiture of bail or recognizance under Chapter XLII ...	324	462	94	362	
Total..	3,298	4,535	1,029	1,852	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 4.—(CRIMINAL.)

Statement showing the general result of Criminal Trials in the Tribunals of various Classes in the Province of Madras, in the year 1886.

CLASS OF COURTS.	Total Number of Persons under trial.	Persons whose cases were disposed of: Died, escaped or transferred to another Province	Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted: On Regular Trial.	Convicted: On Summary Trial.	Committed or referred.	Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.	Number of cases disposed of during the year.	Average number of days during which each case lasted.	Number of witnesses examined.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Village officers	22,237	...	8,430	13,365	...	...	442	14,039	...	..	
Subordinate Magistrates. Special Magistrates under § 14, Cr P C ...	5,048	2	2,395	2,538	...	10	103	3,334	4	6,240	
Subordinate Magistrates. Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	
Subordinate Magistrates. Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	257,914	39	172,805	74,047	2,389	3,274	5,260	117,641	7	286,857	
Subordinate Magistrates. Benches of Magistrates ...	35,457	15	10,697	1,668	22,866	...	191	29,473	1	23 819	
District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under Sections 347 & 349, Criminal Procedure Code	870	...	191	645	...	16	18	532	8	781	
Chief Magistrates of Districts	272	...	132	60	31	46	3	121	8	511	
Presidency Magistrates	38,029	...	6,490	124	31,312	62	41	30,050	...	15,173	
Courts of Session *	2,103	3	1,130	879	...	69	22	978	23	7,151	
Superior Court. Original Jurisdiction ...	99	2	34	56	...	...	7	51	...	376	
Superior Court. Under Section 307, Criminal Procedure Code ...	30	...	25	2	...	...	3	7	...	...	
Superior Court. Do. 374 do. ...	73	...	10	52	...	5	6	51	...	...	
Total...	362,132	61	202,339	93,436	56,618	3,482	6,196	196,277	...	340,908	

* In the case of these persons new trial was ordered.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5, PART 1.—(CRIMINAL.)

Statement showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal Tribunals in the Province of Madras, in the year 1886.

CLASS OF TRIBUNALS.	PERSONS SENTENCED TO								Persons ordered to find or give security or recognizance to keep the peace, or sureties for good behaviour.	Persons imprisoned in default of security for good behaviour.	DETAILS OF PUNISHMENT.																		Number of boys whose sentences were commuted to detention in a Reformatory School.
				IMPRISONMENT.							FINE.									IMPRISONMENT.					WHIPPING.			
	Death.	Transportation.	Penal servitude.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Forfeiture of Property.	Fine.	Whipping.			Rs 10 and under.	Rs. 50 and under.	Rs. 100 and under.	Rs. 500 and under.	Rs. 1,000 and under.	Above Rs. 1,000.	Total amount of Fines imposed during the year.	Total amount of Fines realized during the year.	Amount paid by way of compensation.	15 days and under.	6 months and under.	2 years and under.	7 years and under.	Above 7 years.	10 stripes and under.	20 stripes and under.	30 stripes and under.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Village officers	...	...	...	...	*13,365	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Subordinate Magts. — Spl. Magtes. under Sec. 14, Cr. P. C. ...	...	...	...	108	62	...	2,405	5	...	...	2,367	38	...	...	...	...	3,960	3,453	336	96	74	...	...	...	4	1	...	...
Subordinate Magts. — Honorary Magistrates sitting singly..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Subordinate Magts. — Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly...	...	...	...	13,033	2,061	8	62,431	1,199	300	37	56,290	5,720	337	79	5	...	3,38,383	2,66,808	19,468	4,665	10,041	419	6	...	382	601	216	35
Subordinate Magts. — Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	62	278	...	24,188	2	...	...	24,142	45	1	...	...	...	14,387	14,125	499	320	20	...	...	...	2	...	...	...
District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under Sections 347 & 349, Cr. P. C. ...	...	...	...	560	14	3	131	62	23	...	41	78	4	8	...	...	4,693	2,295	60	48	162	364	...	...	2	32	28	...
Chief Magistrates of Districts	...	...	...	37	7	...	51	2	1	1	34	10	2	5	...	...	1,725	1,574	254	6	26	12	1	...	...	...	2	...
Presidency Magistrates' Courts	...	...	...	870	61	...	30,160	198	20	...	29,990	143	19	8	...	...	33,050	27,807	2,003	299	513	119	...	...	119	77	2	...
Courts of Session	...	112	...	728	29	...	69	13	...	...	4	21	10	29	5	...	14,521	4,658	833	8	131	214	359	45	2	2	9	...
Superior Court ... — Original Jurisdiction ...	...	1	...	55	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2,000	...	...	...	1	14	36	4	...	...	...	...
Superior Court ... — Under Section 307, C. P. C....	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Superior Court ... — „ 374, „ ...	42	9	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Total ..	42	123	...	15,455	15,877	11	119,437	1,481	† 344	38	112,863	6,055	373	129	12	...	4,12,719	3,20,720	23,453	5,442	10,968	1,142	404	49	511	713	257	35

* Of these, 3,732 were confined in stocks.

† Of these, 84 persons were ordered under § 106, Cr. P. C. to furnish sureties in addition to other punishment.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5.

PART 2.

Showing Whippings inflicted under Sections 2 and 3, Act VI, 1864, in lieu of other Punishments, in the Province of Madras, in the year 1886.

OFFENCES FOR WHICH AWARDED.	NUMBER OF STRIPES AWARDED.													Remarks.
	5 and under.		6 to 10.		11 to 15.		16 to 20.		21 to 25.		26 to 30.		Total.	
	First Conviction.	Second or subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Second or subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Second or subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Second or subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Second or subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Second or subsequent Conviction.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
In lieu of other Punishments. (Sections 2 and 3, Act VI, 1864).														
1. Theft, as defined in — Sec. 378, I. P.C.	58	...	190	8	194	9	128	10	48	3	31	10	689	
1. Theft, as defined in — Sec. 380, "	17	...	63	4	83	10	40	11	24	2	17	5	276	
1. Theft, as defined in — Sec. 381, "	5	...	17	...	24	...	16	...	3	...	4	...	69	
1. Theft, as defined in — Sec. 382, "	...	...	4	...	4	2	...	2	4	2	...	...	18	
2. Extortion, as defined in — Sec. 388, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	
2. Extortion, as defined in — Sec. 389, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in — Sec. 411, "	1	...	4	...	8	...	10	...	1	...	...	...	24	
3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in — Sec. 412, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
4. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in Section 443,... ... "	...	...	7	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	
5. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in Section 444,... ... "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	
6. House-breaking, as defined in Section 445, "	3	...	14	...	14	...	12	...	4	...	1	1	49	
7. House-breaking by night, as defined in Section 446, ... "	1	...	19	...	24	2	7	3	13	1	7	3	80	
8. Offence under Section 14, Act III, 1880. ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
9. Offence under Section 30, Act I, 1866	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total ...	85	...	319	12	354	23	213	26	98	8	60	19	1,217	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5.

PART 3.

Showing Whippings inflicted, in addition to other Punishments, Sections 3 and 4, Act VI, 1864, in the Province of Madras, in the year 1886.

OFFENCES FOR WHICH AWARDED.	NUMBER OF STRIPES.						Total.	Remarks
	5 and under.	6 to 10.	11 to 15.	16 to 20.	21 to 25	26 to 30.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
In addition to other Punishments. (Sections 3 and 4).								
A.—SECTION 3.								
1. Theft, as defined in Section 378, I. P. C.	...	6	8	20	13	23	70	
Section 380, „	2	1	5	13	6	6	33	
Section 381, „	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Section 382, „	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	
2. Extortion, as defined in Section 388, „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 389, „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
3 Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in Section 411, „	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Section 412, „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
4. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in Section 443, ... „	...	...	...	2	1	...	3	
5. Lurking house trespass by night, as defined in Section 444, ... „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
6. House-breaking, as defined in Section 445, ... „	...	...	...	1	1	1	3	
7. House-breaking by night, as defined in Section 446,... ... ... „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
8. Offences under Section 14, Act III, 1880.	...	1	3	1	1	7	13	
B.—SECTION 4.								
1. False evidence, as defined in Section 193, I P. C	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	
Section 194, „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 195, „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
2. False charge of unnatural offence, as defined in Sections 211 & 377, „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
3. Assault, as defined in Section 354, „	...	...	...	.	..	...	...	
4. Rape, as defined in Section 375, . „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
5. Unnatural offence, as defined in Section 377, ... „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
6. Robbery, as defined in Section 390, „	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	
7. Dacoity, as defined in Section 391, „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
8. Attempt at robbery, as defined in Section 393, ... „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
9. Hurt in committing robbery, as defined in Section 394, ... „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
10. Receiving stolen property, as defined in Section 413, ... „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
11. Forgery, as defined in Section 457, „	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	
Section 463, „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 466, „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 467, „	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	
Section 468, „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 469, „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
12. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in Section 413, ... „	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	
13. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in Section 444, . „	...	...	2	...	...	2	4	
14. House-breaking, as defined in Section 445, ... „	...	...	...	...	..	2	2	
15. House-breaking by night, as defined in Section 446, ... „	...	...	1	2	2	4	9	
Total ...	2	8	19	39	25	47	140	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5.

PART 4.

Showing Whippings inflicted under Section 5, Act VI, 1864, on Juveniles for offences other than those specified in Parts 2 and 3, in the Province of Madras, in the year 1886.

OFFENCE.	STRIPES.													
	5 & under.		6 to 10.		11 to 15		16 to 20.		21 to 25.		26 to 30.		Total.	Remarks.
	First Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Under Section 224, I. P. C.	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
,, ,, 249 ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	
,, ,, 251 ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	
,, ,, 254 ,, ...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
,, ,, 283 ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	
,, ,, 285 ,, ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
,, ,, 290 ,, ...	3	...	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43	
,, ,, 309 ,, ...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3	
,, ,, 323 ,, ...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
,, ,, 324 ,, ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	
,, ,, 325 ,, ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
,, ,, 323 ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	
,, ,, 336 ,, ...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
,, ,, 337 ,, ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
,, ,, 342 ,, ...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
,, ,, 352 ,, ...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	
,, ,, 392 ,, ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
,, ,, 395 ,, ...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
,, ,, 403 ,, ...	...	...	1	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	6	
,, ,, 406 ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	
,, ,, 426 ,, ...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
,, ,, 429 ,, ...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	
,, ,, 447 ,, ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	4	
,, ,, 451 ,, ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
,, ,, 454 ,, ...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	
,, ,, 457 ,, ...	...	...	2	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	4	
,, ,, 44, Act I V of 1879	6	...	11	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	
,, I of 1866	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
,, IV of 1842	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	5	
Total...	16	...	69	...	23	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	124	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5.

PART 5.

Showing relative number of times Whipping was awarded as compared with other Punishments in the Province of Madras, in the year 1886.

Punishments.	Number.	Remarks.
1	2	3
1. Total number of whippings awarded.	1,481	
2. Total number of other punishments.	137,440	
Percentage of Whipping.	1·07	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 6.—(CRIMINAL.)

Statement showing the result of Appeal and Revision in Criminal Cases in the Province of Madras, in the year 1886.

TRIBUNALS.	NUMBER OF PERSONS. Total number of Appellants and Applicants for Revision before the Courts.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Appeals or Applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence enhanced.	Sentence reduced or otherwise altered.	Sentence reversed.	Proceedings quashed.	New trial or further inquiry ordered.	Referred for revision to the High Court.	Pending trial.	Average number of days during which each appeal lasted.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
APPEALS.													
To Chief Magistrates of Districts*	11,904	2	952	5,316	...	982	3,771	32	155	...	694	23	
„ Courts of Session	1,198	...	250	477	...	128	244	...	3	...	91	29	
„ Superior Court† ... by persons convicted	893	...	305	289	...	70	54	...	13	...	162	55	
„ Superior Court† ... by Government from judgments of acquittal	59	...	...	6	...	...	4	...	13	...	6		
Total...	14,049	2	1,507	6,088	...	1,180	4,073	32	214	...	953	...	
REVISION.													
By Chief Magistrates of Districts	1,573	...	1,072	56	...	...	1	35	215	95	99	20	
„ Courts of Session	950	...	505	175	...	1	9	16	79	87	78	29	
„ Superior Court	2,028	...	754	153	12	144	...	332	213	...	420	...	
Total...	4,551	...	2,331	384	12	145	10	383	507	182	597	...	
Grand Total...	18,600	2	3,838	6,472	12	1,325	4,083	415	721	182	1,550	...	

* Or other Magistrates authorized to hear Appeals under Section 407, Cr. P. C.

† Persons concerned in cases under Sections 307 and 374. Cr. P. C, are excluded, as they are separately shown in Statement No. 4.

Note.—Persons in cases taken up for Revision of the Courts' own motion are also included.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 13.—(CRIMINAL.)

Statement showing use of Juries and Assessors in Criminal Courts in the Province of Madras, in the year 1886.

CLASSES OF COURTS IN WHICH JURORS OR ASSESSORS ARE EMPLOYED.		Established or Average Number of Jury or Assessors in each case, and prescribed qualifications.	Number of Cases tried by Jury.	Number of Cases tried with Assessors.	JURY TRIALS. Cases in which the Judge approved of the verdict.	JURY TRIALS. Cases in which the Judge did not approve of the Verdict. Wholly.	JURY TRIALS. Cases in which the Judge did not approve of the Verdict. Partially	JURY TRIALS. Number of Persons, of the Verdict in respect to whom the Judge disapproved. Whose Cases he referred under Section 307, Cr. P. C.	JURY TRIALS. Number of Persons, of the Verdict in respect to whom the Judge disapproved. Whose Cases he did not refer under Section 307, Cr. P. C.	ASSESSORS' TRIALS. Number of Cases in which Judge agreed with Assessors.	ASSESSORS' TRIALS. Number of Cases in which Judge differed from. One Assessor	ASSESSORS' TRIALS. Number of Cases in which Judge differed from. Both Assessors.	Remarks.
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Magistrates' Courts under Chapter X, Criminal Procedure Code ...	Jurors ...	5	9	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Act III of 1884		...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Courts of Session ...	Jurors ...	† 5	356	...	343	8	5	14	12	...	...	...	
	Assessors...	† 2	...	*559	...	...	...	...	...	403	39	99	
High Court, Original Criminal Jurisdiction ...	Jurors ...	9	43	...	43	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Total...	...	409	559	396	8	5	14	12	403	39	99	

* Exclusive of 18 Cases in which no opinion was taken.

† Qualifications as described in Sections 319 and 320 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Act X of 1882).

APPENDIX.

II.—Special Statements.

A.—*Statement showing the number of offences of the different classes under as true in each District*

DISTRICTS.	Against the State.		Relating to Army and Navy.		Against public tranquillity.		By or relating to public servants.		Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.		False evidence and offences against public justice.		Relating to Coin and Government Stamps.		Relating to weights and measures.		Affecting public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.		Relating to religion.	
	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported	True.	Reported	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported	True.
1	2		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10		11	
Arcot (North) ...	...	...	...	...	58	55	4	1	84	81	51	36	10	10	9	9	206	203	2	2
Do. (South) ...	...	...	...	..	20	20	3	2	276	275	40	38	6	6	...	...	154	154	6	6
Anantapur ...	...	...	...	..	38	38	4	3	164	162	18	16	2	2	2	2	64	64	1	1
Bellary	...	...	...	...	48	47	2	2	329	328	23	23	12	9	4	4	35	26	21	21
Canara (South) ...	..	...	...	...	79	58	..	..	84	75	32	28	9	8	27	27	34	34	1	1
Chingleput ...	...	.	...	...	92	68	6	6	90	74	23	18	3	3	6	5	685	617	2	1
Coimbatore ...	...	...	...	...	164	150	2	2	145	144	39	39	5	5	9	9	149	148	5	3
Nilgiris ...	...	...	...	...	9	9	...	...	5	5	4	4	1	1	1	1	48	48	...	..
Guddapah ...	...	...	...	..	149	136	1	1	165	162	37	37	8	4	4	4	194	190	4	4
Ganjam	...	...		...	60	55	1	1	64	58	44	42	3	3	7	7	451	426	...	...
Do. (Agency)...	...	...	...	...	8	8	...	...	2	2	3	3	4	4	1	1	1	1	...	...
Godavari ...	...	...	...	...	126	110	6	5	121	119	45	40	7	5	19	19	758	736	5	1
Do. (Agency)...	...	...	...	...	4	4	8	8	2	2	4	4	...	...	2	2	10	10	...	...
Kistna	...	..	...	...	47	46	5	5	82	82	32	31	3	3	5	5	412	403	5	5
Kurnool	...	...	...		98	74	2	2	28	27	24	21	4	3	4	4	39	34	3	2
Madura	...	...	...	...	240	203	5	5	78	71	103	85	9	8	16	15	1,360	1,324	13	9
Malabar	..	. .	...	...	39	39	2	2	85	84	70	60	4	3	23	23	158	150	8	7
Nellore	..	...	...	...	25	24	1	1	39	38	41	39	9	7	5	5	432	426	...	...
Salem	...	...	...	...	41	35	6	5	79	77	56	53	4	4	12	12	109	105	12	8
Tanjore	...	...	...	...	118	81	5	5	156	137	84	77	2	2	50	29	321	313	8	5
Tinnevelly ...	...	...	..	...	217	180	6	5	89	71	60	55	6	3	5	5	136	135	8	7
Trichinopoly ...	...	...	...	...	189	177	4	3	169	164	36	32	6	6	6	6	238	233	4	3
Vizagapatam ...	...	...	...	...	119	102	6	3	56	54	30	29	10	9	5	3	301	278	2	2
Do. (Agency)..	...	...	...	...	8	8	3	2	6	5	19	18	8	5	...	...	8	6	1	...
Madras	...	...	...	...	8	8	1	1	149	148	46	39	3	3	1	1	236	236	. .	...
Total ...	...	...	..	...	2,004	1,785	83	70	2,547	2,445	969	872	138	116	223	198	6,589	6,350	111	88

the Indian Penal Code and the Special and Local Laws reported and returned during the year 1886.

Affecting human body.																			
Life.		Other offences.		Affecting property.		Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.		Criminal breach of contracts of service.		Relating to marriage.		Defamation.		Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.		Under Special and Local laws.		Total.	
Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.
12		13		14		15		16		17		18		19		20		21	
40	38	1,752	1,628	1,761	1,396	8	6	...	...	49	42	72	36	111	93	2,730	2,690	6,947	6,326
11	11	2,065	1,931	2,023	1,777	16	13	1	1	43	38	40	34	204	183	3,432	3,418	8,340	7,907
25	24	740	677	765	676	4	4	1	1	5	4	10	2	47	47	1,730	1,724	3,620	3,447
26	24	852	771	1,185	982	6	6	1	1	9	9	4	4	110	108	6,807	6,792	9,470	9,162
32	29	1,008	926	1,098	770	20	17	1	1	18	16	9	5	108	84	1,369	1,305	3,929	3,384
24	21	1,457	1,348	1,593	1,340	6	2	..	..	29	18	50	36	189	174	4,105	4,072	8,360	7,803
31	31	2,118	2,033	2,127	1,929	13	10	3	2	18	14	12	12	24	21	1,611	1,589	6,475	6,141
1	1	397	367	230	200	...	...	...	...	6	5	10	8	27	23	1,595	1,534	2,334	2,206
52	40	1,614	1,489	1,982	1,397	24	20	...	..	35	27	15	12	159	154	1,638	1 623	6,081	5,300
23	18	1,201	1,071	3,163	2,454	9	5	2	2	62	54	17	12	148	139	1,940	1,893	7,195	6,240
12	11	39	32	159	133	...	...	...	..	8	8	...	...	2	2	10	10	249	215
55	39	4,015	3,859	3,006	2,610	11	8	1	1	42	36	55	42	114	109	2,990	2,955	11,376	10,694
7	7	72	72	79	74	3	3	1	1	4	4	2	2	2	2	24	23	224	218
25	24	1,885	1,773	1,746	1,584	10	10	1	1	8	7	11	9	108	105	2,922	2,864	7,307	6,957
17	14	1,268	1,130	1,087	687	6	3	1	1	19	14	5	5	24	24	734	715	3,363	2,760
43	42	2,564	2,333	3,514	2,562	14	10	1	1	62	56	20	7	54	45	5,286	5,191	13,387	11,967
29	28	4,865	4,269	4,197	3,358	39	30	2	2	41	34	28	21	166	149	6,450	6,123	16,206	14 382
34	32	1,957	1,820	1,471	1,230	4	4	...	...	9	9	15	12	352	339	3,127	3,096	7,521	7,132
39	37	1,865	1,751	2,141	1,716	13	12	1	1	88	76	43	29	138	114	1,558	1,517	6,205	5,552
23	18	2,735	1,705	2,993	1,514	28	15	...	...	68	31	23	16	77	49	7,465	7,298	14,156	11,295
54	47	1,505	1,322	2,076	1,642	15	11	..	..	32	28	10	7	38	32	1,940	1,890	6,197	5,440
14	14	1,383	1,048	1,609	1,123	6	5	...	...	39	26	13	10	36	31	5,305	5,271	9,107	8,202
47	39	2,513	2,319	2,211	1,650	18	11	...	...	159	153	24	17	83	73	3,161	3,137	8,745	7,879
32	29	362	218	1,004	866	...	...	...	...	110	74	2	2	3	2	100	84	1,666	1,319
6	6	6,373	6,088	1,740	1,632	13	13	1	1	71	71	158	149	511	482	26,778	26,700	36,095	35,578
707	624	46,605	41,980	44,960	35,352	286	218	18	17	1084	854	648	489	2,835	2,584	94,807	93,514	204,564	187,506

B.—*Statement showing the number of offences returned as true in each District and the ratio of grave offences to population in* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	Population.	Offences returned as true. Under I. P. C. Grave offences.	Offences returned as true. Under I. P. C. Others.	Offences returned as true. Under Special and Local Laws.	Ratio of grave offences to population.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Arcot (North)	2,000,000	949	2,687	2,690	1 to 2,107	
Do. (South)	1,816,375	847	3,642	3,418	,, 2,144	
Bellary	1,326,164	578	1,792	6,792	,, 1,462	
Anantapur		329	1,894	1,724		
Canara (South)...	959,514	419	1,660	1,305	,, 2,290	
Chingleput	981,381	917	2,814	4,072	,, 1,070	
Coimbatore	1,657,690	961	3,591	1,589	,, 1,725	
Nilgiris	91,034	152	520	1,534	,, 599	
Cuddapah	1,121,038	686	2,991	1,623	,, 1,634	
Ganjam	1,503,301	1,178	3,169	1,893	,, 1,276	
Do. (Agency)	245,993	104	101	10	,, 2,365	
Godavari	1,780,613	1,305	6,434	2,955	,, 1,364	
Do. (Agency)	96,331	48	147	23	,, 2,007	
Kistna...	1,543,480	723	3,370	2,864	,, 2,142	
Kurnool	709,305	367	1,678	715	,, 1,933	
Madura	2,168,680	1,343	5,433	5,191	,, 1,615	
Malabar	2,354,234	1,669	6,590	6,123	,, 1,411	
Nellore	1,220 236	743	3,293	3,006	,, 1,642	
Salem	1,592,917	818	3,217	1,517	,, 1,947	
Tanjore	2,130,383	989	3,008	7,298	,, 2,154	
Tinnevelly	1,699,747	952	2,598	1,890	,, 1,785	
Trichinopoly	1,215,033	712	2,219	5,271	,, 1,707	
Vizagapatam	1,790,468	909	3,833	3,137	,, 1,969	
Do. (Agency)	694,673	761	474	84	,, 912	
Madras	406,117	797	8,081	26,700	,, 509	
Total ..	31,109,707	19,256	74,736	93,514	,, 1,615	

C.—*Statement showing the number of Persons concerned in the Cases disposed of under the Miscellaneous Provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code in each District in* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	Proceedings against witnesses, Chap. VI and XXXV.	Proceedings to prevent breach of the peace, Chapter VIII.	Security for good behaviour, Chapter VIII.	Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X.	Possession, Chapter XII.	Frivolous or vexatious complaints, Chapter XX, Section 250.	Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chapter XXIII, Section 332.	Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI.	Forfeiture of bail or recognizance, Chapter XLII, Section 514.	Total.
	Persons.	Persons.	Persons.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Persons.	Persons	Persons.	Persons.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Arcot (North)	1	...	10	4	...	11	...	62	5	93
Do. (South)	...	3	2	1	5	12	...	90	20	128
Anantapur	...	11	26	6	1	2	...	8	6	59
Bellary	...	76	...	...	1	4	...	3	10	93
Canara (South)	...	28	1	8	9	2	...	9	11	59
Chingleput	...	1	...	1	2	21	2	58	7	90
Coimbatore	1	50	...	...	8	17	...	50	26	144
Nilgiris	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	5	6	18
Cuddapah	4	82	10	...	2	5	2	33	14	150
Ganjam	...	1	...	...	1	...	4	34	16	55
Do. (Agency)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari	...	...	...	6	5	71	8	81	6	172
Do. (Agency)	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
Kistna	...	1	46	54	1	40	6	24	13	184
Kurnool	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	14	4	21
Madura	...	67	16	10	4	28	...	36	45	202
Malabar	3	59	4	19	7	183	10	85	67	430
Nellore	...	12	...	4	3	4	...	9	13	42
Salem	...	25	...	3	1	34	3	82	17	164
Tanjore	2	138	2	18	16	43	...	72	81	356
Tinnevelly	...	8	16	77	7	7	3	26	10	147
Trichinopoly	...	7	1	4	8	31	...	51	80	174
Vizagapatam	...	...	...	14	...	15	...	94	...	123
Do. (Agency)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras	...	20	...	...	...	13	...	996	3	1,032
Total...	11	589	135	229	81	553	38	1,922	460	3,937

D.—*Statement showing the relative contribution of the several Districts of the Presidency to the aggregate number of Cases of the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	Cases.			Appeals.		Total of Cases and Appeals.	Percentage to Total.	Remarks.
	Before Village Magistrates' Courts.	Before Regular Courts.	Total.	To Magistrates' and Sessions Judges' Courts.	To High Court.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Malabar	490	14,952	15,442	835	45	16,322	9·51	
Madura	1,379	12,215	13,594	545	63	14,202	8·27	
Tanjore	1,999	11,620	13,619	197	35	13,851	8·07	
Godavari	1,039	10,442	11,481	338	16	11,835	6·89	
Do. (Agency)... ...	6	221	227	2	4	233	·13	
Bellary	56	9,257	9,313	128	49	9,490	5·53	
Vizagapatam	322	7,499	7,821	192	16	8,029	4·68	
Do. (Agency) ...	73	1,258	1,331	40	8	1,379	·80	
Chingleput	667	7,913	8,580	155	53	8,788	5·12	
Trichinopoly	292	8,053	8,345	249	21	8,615	5·02	
Arcot (South) ...	487	7,668	8,155	314	23	8,492	4·94	
Kistna	1,257	6,670	7,927	230	13	8,170	4·76	
Arcot (North) ...	1,062	6,565	7,627	221	17	7,865	4·58	
Tinnevelly	1,731	5,308	7,039	513	50	7,602	4·43	
Nellore	500	6,810	7,310	175	11	7,496	4·37	
Coimbatore	622	6,121	6,743	372	27	7,142	4·16	
Salem	1,349	5,526	6,875	232	27	7,134	4·15	
Ganjam	183	6,285	6,468	201	12	6,681	3·89	
Do. (Agency) ...	...	230	230	7	6	243	·14	
Cuddapah	167	5,232	5,399	218	11	5,628	3·28	
Anantapur	151	3,449	3,600	149	...	3,749	2·18	
Canara (South) ...	157	3,304	3,461	145	14	3,620	2·11	
Kurnool	79	2,722	2,801	91	6	2,898	1·69	
Nilgiris	27	2,194	2,221	7	2	2,230	1·30	
Total...	14,095	151,514	165,609	5,556	529	171,694	100·00	
Average per District ...	671	7,215	7,886	265	25	8,176	...	
Civil and Military Station, Bangalore	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	
Madras	...	30,115	30,115	...	40	30,155	...	
Grand Total...	14,095	181,629	195,724	5,556	570	201,850	...	

E1.—*Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Bench Magistrates, for the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES	
					Disposed of.				Pending.				
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.	Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North)	598	600	...	609	45	564	...	...	...	...	92·61	650	...
Do. (South)	1,456	1,442	19	1,674	259	1,376	...	...	...	39	84·16	1,875	...
Anantapur	747	743	13	757	61	633	...	...	...	13	91·80	329	...
Bellary	5,581	5,579	2	5,624	948	4,871	...	...	...	5	83·70	3,971	...
Canara (South)... ...	213	213	...	370	229	141	...	...	...	...	38·10	239	...
Chingleput	1,720	1,707	4	1,942	504	1,434	...	...	1	3	73·99	1,893	...
Coimbatore	693	687	5	889	224	654	...	...	...	11	74·48	770	10
Nilgiris	145	141	1	206	134	71	...	...	...	1	34·63	115	...
Cuddapah	917	941	3	1,185	369	810	...	3	...	3	68·70	323	...
Ganjam	110	110	...	258	179	79	...	...	...	...	30·62	237	...
Godavari	2,307	2,278	19	3,139	1,602	1,487	...	...	...	50	48·14	1,919	69
Kistna	1,542	1,531	9	1,833	766	1,056	...	2	...	9	57·96	1,681	1
Kurnool	101	101	...	275	226	49	...	...	...	...	17·82	188	...
Madura	1,777	1,772	3	2,165	667	1,489	...	...	...	9	69·06	1,661	404
Malabar	920	946	...	1,457	879	578	...	...	...	...	39·67	917	...
Nellore	1,652	1,640	...	1,826	332	1,494	...	...	...	...	81·81	906	...
Salem	326	330	2	452	38	410	...	1	...	3	91·51	43	...
Tanjore	4,623	4,625	5	5,247	1,145	4,097	...	...	...	5	78·15	1,401	11
Tinnevelly	1,258	1,257	10	1,419	382	1,019	...	...	...	18	72·73	1,260	...
Trichinopoly	1,826	1,817	6	2,273	752	1,505	...	9	...	7	66·68	1,939	6
Vizagapatam	1,021	1,013	8	1,657	956	637	...	...	...	14	41·81	1,302	...
Ganjam (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari (Do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	29,563	29,473	109	35,457	10,697	24,554	...	15	1	190	69·65	23,619	501

E2.—*Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Special Magistrates, for the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
					DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.				
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to an other Province	In custody.	Not in custody.	Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North)	208	202	...	210	36	174	...	...	...	...	82·86	344	4
Do. (South)	838	838	16	1,552	888	609	9	...	1	45	40·68	2,116	39
Anantapur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Bellary	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Canara (South)... ...	5	5	...	6	...	6	...	...	...	...	100·00	8	...
Chingleput	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
Coimbatore	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Nilgiris	815	815	...	815	107	708	...	...	...	...	86·87	816	...
Cuddapah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ganjam	71	71	...	101	21	80	...	...	...	...	79·20	119	...
Godavari	705	684	7	1,615	1,234	327	1	...	..	53	20·95	1,022	40
Kistna	136	133	3	137	13	121	...	...	...	3	90·30	209	...
Kurnool	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madura	155	155	...	155	31	124	...	...	...	...	80·00	135	1
Malabar	78	78	...	84	7	77	...	...	...	...	91·67	22	6
Nellore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salem...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tanjore	101	99	...	104	20	82	...	2	...	...	80·39	144	...
Tinnevelly	55	54	...	64	10	54	...	...	...	...	84·38	58	...
Trichinopoly	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam	201	200	1	205	28	176	...	...	...	1	86 28	347	...
Ganjam (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari (Do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	3,368	3,334	27	5,048	2,395	2,538	10	2	1	102	51·44	6,240	99

E3.—*Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Stipendiary Subordinate Magistrates (other than Joint, Assistant, Deputy and Cantonment Magistrates), for the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
					DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.				
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.	Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North)	5,425	5,396	66	10,745	7,063	3,364	200	...	11	111	32 26	14,702	499
Do. (South)	5,060	5,153	79	12,078	8,483	3,175	105	1	17	297	27·23	11,992	72
Anantapur	2,604	2,576	58	5,210	3,159	1,843	63	1	9	135	36·85	7,385	32
Bellary	3,427	3,370	98	5,836	3,314	2,221	112	...	18	171	40·13	7,033	14
Canara (South)	2,865	2,845	67	6,367	4,527	1,623	70	4	7	136	26·39	7,073	146
Chingleput	4,834	4,860	23	10,092	6,282	3,710	33	3	6	58	37·13	10,731	99
Coimbatore	5,198	5,179	103	13,073	9,515	2,959	227	2	71	299	23·72	12,077	643
Nilgiris	1,053	1,054	2	1,492	754	725	10	...	...	3	49·02	1,430	10
Cuddapah	4,070	4,081	48	10,303	7,475	2,502	106	2	31	192	25·08	12,127	314
Ganjam	5,930	5,902	51	14,224	9,383	4,477	192	...	6	166	32·30	13,947	564
Godavari	7,162	7,155	129	18,447	14,236	3,736	77	...	11	387	20·78	20,485	945
Kistna	4,730	4,809	92	12,454	8,970	3,112	78	1	9	284	25 75	14,944	1,384
Kurnool ...	2,363	2,355	15	5,533	4,071	1,338	35	2	1	86	24·74	7,250	171
Madura	10,030	10,054	171	20,121	12,470	6,712	441	2	19	477	34·99	22,461	192
Malabar	13,048	13,102	86	24,245	16,127	7,665	239	3	40	171	32·22	18,943	819
Nellore	4,883	4,824	111	11,568	8,514	2,673	70	...	25	286	23·89	13,579	392
Salem	4,950	4,942	51	13,420	10,774	2,299	131	2	10	204	17·59	14,718	290
Tanjore	6,603	6,655	77	13,218	8,382	4,375	239	6	31	185	34 22	15,139	1,469
Tinnevelly	3,713	3,663	138	10,243	7,257	2,233	246	1	23	483	23·53	12,743	89
Trichinopoly	6,085	6,021	37	10,303	5,082	5,037	95	2	12	75	49·78	10,816	392
Vizagapatam	6,117	6,097	55	12,232	7,610	4,354	76	2	14	176	36·39	12,403	637
Ganjam (Agency) ...	207	204	4	639	264	290	69	...	3	13	52 35	960	101
Godavari (Do.)... ...	181	181	3	440	353	67	16	...	...	4	15 95	599	5
Vizagapatam (Do.) ..	1,174	1,158	16	2,572	1,331	1,035	162	...	24	20	43·74	2,561	238
Total...	111796	111581	1,580	214864	165396	71,535	3,092	34	398	4,419	30·19	266098	9,517

E4.—*Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Deputy Magistrates, for the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
					DISPOSED OF				PENDING.				
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.	Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North) ...	38	44	...	96	70	26	...	...	...	...	27·08	175	...
Do. (South) ...	150	155	9	339	207	112	6	...	...	14	35·11	743	...
Anantapur ...	61	72	9	459	321	56	8	...	2	72	14·85	473	138
Bellary ...	119	137	8	360	239	113	5	...	2	1	32 10	495	...
Canara (South) ...	120	123	3	343	273	52	9	...	2	7	16·00	435	31
Chingleput ...	197	197	1	256	154	101	...	...	...	1	39·61	501	...
Coimbatore ...	90	110	1	430	302	123	2	...	...	1	29·27	769	91
Nilgiris ...	49	52	...	84	29	55	...	...	...	...	65·47	145	...
Cuddapah ...	59	78	1	172	121	46	2	2	...	1	27·54	367	12
Ganjam ...	58	93	2	188	75	105	1	...	...	2	58·33	534	31
Godavari ...	127	133	2	469	273	65	8	...	...	123	19·23	712	..
Kistna ...	29	37	1	120	85	33	1	...	1	...	27·97	236	4
Kurnool ...	158	164	4	265	125	131	...	...	2	7	51·17	480	...
Madura ...	54	83	13	193	82	62	...	...	15	34	43·06	242	71
Malabar ...	262	277	15	650	351	252	5	1	7	34	41·79	760	18
Nellore ...	79	79	...	219	158	61	...	...	...	...	27·85	273	...
Salem ..	135	165	...	473	360	92	21	...	...	...	20·35	753	...
Tanjore ...	127	165	4	465	339	116	...	...	...	10	25·49	718	67
Tinnevelly ...	58	70	4	251	124	93	8	...	16	10	42·86	911	3
Trichinopoly ...	63	263	1	333	86	246	...	...	1	...	74·10	222	28
Vizagapatam ...	48	58	...	98	33	65	...	...	...	...	66·33	226	...
Ganjam (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari (Do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total .	2,076	2,564	73	6,258	3,807	2,007	76	3	48	317	34 52	10,179	494

E5.—*Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Assistant Collectors as Magistrates, for the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES	
					DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.				
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province	In custody.	Not in custody.	Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North)	178	180	1	382	227	152	2	...	...	1	40·10	869	28
Do. (South) ..	34	41	1	76	33	38	4	...	...	1	53·52	177	...
Anantapur	37	51	...	148	87	55	6	...	...	...	38 73	351	21
Bellary	30	35	2	41	12	27	...	...	1	1	69·23	98	...
Canara (South)	63	72	2	145	89	49	2	...	...	5	35·50	335	...
Chingleput ..	94	93	...	112	30	81	1	...	...	...	72 97	134	4
Coimbatore	40	45	3	164	85	50	2	...	2	25	37 03	150	5
Nilgiris	115	114	1	157	64	85	6	...	2	...	57·04	212	...
Cuddapah	28	31	...	74	29	39	6	...	...	...	57·35	49	18
Ganjam	55	72	1	127	83	43	...	...	...	1	34 12	272	2
Godavari	45	50	2	126	89	33	2	...	1	1	27·04	275	...
Kistna	124	133	1	204	201	89	1	...	...	3	30·60	406	38
Kurnool	73	70	6	136	54	58	1	...	2	21	51·78	203	14
Madura	61	72	...	245	144	101	...	...	...	...	41·22	391	...
Malabar	123	159	4	332	188	128	4	...	...	12	40 50	283	56
Nellore...	120	132	6	246	173	59	1	...	1	12	25 04	468	...
Salem	26	52	...	151	115	27	9	...	...	...	19·01	235	...
Tanjore	67	67	2	96	50	42	1	1	...	2	45 65	171	21
Tinnevelly	41	55	12	206	103	41	29	...	2	31	28 47	225	...
Trichinopoly	25	34	2	74	47	25	...	...	...	2	34·72	140	13
Vizagapatam	52	54	3	142	100	38	...	...	3	1	27·53	207	...
Ganjam (Agency) ...	15	13	1	41	11	29	...	...	1	...	72 50	44	...
Godavari (Do.)	23	23	1	44	21	14	8	...	...	1	40·00	146	43
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	67	99	2	200	50	146	2	...	1	1	74 49	287	210
Cantonments.													
Chingleput	974	972	1	1,381	474	901	2	...	...	4	65·53	1,710	7
Malabar	422	422	...	551	172	378	1	...	...	...	68·73	768	...
Total...	2,941	3,141	54	5,691	2,731	2,728	90	1	16	125	49·97	8,106	480

E6.—*Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Joint Magistrates, for the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
					DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.				
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.	Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North)	55	62	...	113	72	41	...	...	...	...	36·23	183	6
Do. (South) ...	74	85	1	137	53	51	1	1	...	1	64·45	343	...
Anantapur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bellary	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Canara (South)... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...
Chingleput ...	63	65	2	98	33	63	...	...	...	2	65·62	203	...
Coimbatore	46	71	3	207	112	74	10	...	3	8	39·78	312	...
Nilgiris	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah	78	83	...	192	111	77	4	...	...	...	40·96	293	...
Ganjam	13	14	1	40	16	20	...	...	...	4	55·56	69	...
Godavari	44	110	...	148	98	46	4	...	...	...	31·94	251	36
Kistna...	18	25	...	48	33	15	...	...	...	...	31·25	84	8
Kurnool	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madura	41	80	1	180	72	104	3	...	1	...	59·09	197	8
Malabar	33	39	2	68	25	38	1	...	...	4	60·32	136	...
Nellore	45	50	1	135	100	34	...	...	1	...	25·37	238	9
Salem	33	41	1	88	58	26	2	...	2	...	30·95	193	...
Tanjore	36	48	2	244	141	95	1	...	2	5	40·25	227	13
Tinnevelly	68	67	12	195	107	61	5	...	1	21	36·31	375	...
Trichinopoly	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam	28	24	...	44	25	19	...	...	...	...	43·18	113	3
Ganjam (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari (Do.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	675	864	26	1,937	1,056	794	31	1	10	45	42·92	3,247	83

E7.—*Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of District Magistrates, for the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
					DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.				
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.	Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North)	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. (South)	4	7	...	8	7	1	...	...	...	...	12·50	26	...
Anantapur	...	2	...	9	8	1	...	...	...	...	11 11	16	...
Bellary	12	12	...	20	9	9	2	...	...	...	50·00	49	...
Canara (South)	4	12	...	14	2	11	1	...	...	...	84·62	7	...
Chingleput	1	1	...	5	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Coimbatore	3	7	...	7	2	3	2	...	...	...	60·00	29	2
Nilgiris	15	14	...	17	5	12	...	...	...	...	70·59	39	...
Cuddapah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ganjam	15	17	3	69	17	22	27	...	...	3	56·41	44	...
Godavari	8	8	...	12	7	4	1	...	...	...	36·36	28	...
Kistna	...	1	...	16	...	16	...	...	...	...	100·00	77	...
Kurnool	4	3	...	11	9	2	...	...	...	...	18·18	...	...
Madura	...	2	...	19	5	...	14	...	...	...	...	24	...
Malabar	4	4	..	4	2	2	...	...	...	...	50·00	1	...
Nellore	6	3	...	3	1	2	...	...	...	...	66·66	...	...
Salem	1	2	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	50·00	1	...
Tanjore	1	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	100·00	6	...
Tinnevelly	7	8	...	22	19	3	...	...	...	...	15·00	30	1
Trichinopoly	22	21	...	48	29	19	...	...	...	...	39·58	73	...
Vizagapatam ...	5	5	...	5	2	3	...	...	...	...	60·00	38	23
Ganjam (Agency) ...	...	6	...	6	...	6	...	...	...	...	100 00	23	3
Godavari (Do.) ...	8	8	...	8	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	...
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	123	144	3	306	138	118	47	...	...	3	46·45	519	29

E8.—*Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Session, for the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
					Disposed of.				PENDING.				
	Received by commitment or on reference.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.	Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North)	60	61	...	114	48	59	7	...	...	...	55·14	387	176
Do. (South)	52	59	...	120	59	60	1	...	...	...	50·42	391	138
Bellary	88	89	...	176	79	90	7	...	...	...	53·25	581	391
Canara (South)	34	34	...	49	21	21	7	...	...	...	50·00	245	73
Chingleput	30	29	1	33	11	21	...	...	...	1	65·63	212	7
Coimbatore	56	56	1	157	98	56	2	...	1	...	36·[illegible]	419	189
Nilgiris	2	2	...	6	2	4	...	...	...	...	66·67	21	...
Cuddapah	50	51	...	83	62	19	2	...	...	...	23·46	361	248
Ganjam	38	33	...	68	35	31	2	...	...	...	46·97	379	144
Godavari	44	43	1	78	43	34	...	...	1	...	44·16	216	34
Kistna	32	31	...	65	44	19	1	1	...	...	30·16	342	35
Kurnool	23	30	...	78	59	17	2	...	...	...	22·37	244	191
Madura	97	95	...	217	110	104	2	1	...	...	48·60	702	351
Malabar (North)... ...	16	15	1	39	24	12	...	...	3	...	33·33	118	16
Do. (South) ...	46	46	2	93	39	45	7	...	2	...	53 57	255	35
Nellore	16	16	...	27	14	12	1	...	...	...	46 15	125	1
Salem...	55	54	1	95	45	41	8	...	1	...	47·67	478	290
Tanjore	62	61	1	161	91	62	3	...	...	5	40·52	426	244
Tinnevelly	78	78	...	216	128	83	5	...	...	...	39·34	663	394
Trichinopoly	32	29	4	80	45	20	9	...	6	...	30·77	195	51
Vizagapatam	27	28	...	52	28	23	...	1	...	...	45·10	200	80
Ganjam (Agency) ...	8	8	...	52	24	26	2	...	...	...	52·00	78	28
Godavari (Do.) ...	9	9	...	11	2	9	...	...	...	...	81·82	35	...
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	17	16	2	33	19	11	1	...	2	...	36·66	78	40
Total...	972	978	14	2,103	1,130	879	69	3	16	6	43·75	7,151	3,156

F.—*Statement showing, by Districts, the results of trial by Jury and with Assessors in the Courts of Session, for the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	Established or average number of jurors or assessors in each case.	Prescribed qualifications.	No. of cases tried by Jury.	No. of cases tried with Assessors.	JURY TRIALS. No. of Cases tried. In which the Court approved of the verdict.	In which the Court did not approve of the verdict. Wholly.	Partially.	Total.	Grand Total.	No. of Persons of the verdict in respect to whom the Court disapproved. Whose cases were referred under § 307, Cr. P. C.	Whose cases were not referred under § 307, Cr. P. C.	Total.	ASSESSORS' TRIALS. No. of Cases in which the Court agreed with Assessors.	No. of Cases in which the Court differed from. One Assessor.	Majority of Assessors.	All Assessors.	Total.	Grand Total.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Arcot (North)	5 Jurs. & 2 Assrs.	As described in Sections 319 & 320, Code of Criminal Procedure.	24	32	23	1	...	1	24	1	...	1	27	...	...	5	5	32	
Do. (South)	Do. & 3 do.		32	22	32	...	...	...	32	...	...	...	17	1	3	1	5	22	
Bellary	Do. & 2 do.		37	49	37	...	...	...	37	...	...	...	47	...	...	2	2	49	
Canara (South)	Do. do.		5	26	5	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	19	4	...	3	7	26	
Chingleput	Do. & 3 Assrs.		15	12	15	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	7	1	1	3	5	12	
Coimbatore	Do. & 2 Assrs.		20	33	20	...	...	...	20	...	...	...	28	1	...	4	5	33	
Nilgiris	Do. do		...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	
Cuddapah	Do. do.		7	34	6	1	...	1	7	1	...	1	18	2	...	6	8	26	
Ganjam	Do. do.		15	21	15	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	18	...	...	3	3	21	
Do. (Agency)	2 Assrs.		...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	2	...	...	2	7	
Godavari	5 Jurs. & 2 Assrs.		10	33	10	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	26	1	...	6	7	33	
Do. (Agency)	2 Assrs		...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	2	3	6	
Kistna	5 Jurs. & 2 Assrs.		8	21	8	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	12	2	...	7	9	21	
Kurnool	Do. do.		8	21	8	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	17	1	3	...	4	21	
Madura	Do. do.		43	48	37	3	3	6	43	...	6	6	36	4	...	7	11	47	
Malabar (North)	Do. do.		4	10	4	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	8	...	...	2	2	10	
Do. (South)	Do. do.		15	24	15	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	21	...	...	3	3	24	
Nellore	Do. do.		3	11	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	7	...	...	4	4	11	
Salem	Do. do.		23	29	22	1	...	1	23	1	...	1	14	7	...	6	13	27	
Tanjore	Do. do.		33	27	32	...	1	1	33	2	...	2	18	4	...	5	9	27	
Tinnevelly	Do. do.		32	45	32	...	...	...	32	...	...	...	21	2	...	16	18	39	
Trichinopoly	Do. do.		17	10	15	2	...	2	17	9	...	9	7	2	...	1	3	10	
Vizagapatam	Do. do.		5	23	4	...	1	1	5	...	6	6	17	1	...	5	6	23	
Do. (Agency)	2 Assrs.		...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	3	...	1	4	12	
			356	559	343	8	5	13	356	14	12	26	403	39	7	92	138	541	

G1.—*Statement comparing, by Districts, the number of Appeals and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the mode of disposal, in the Courts of Magistrates, for the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	APPEALS. District Magistrates. Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Other 1st Class Magistrates. Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	PERSONS. Number in respect of whom appealable sentences or orders were passed by 2nd and 3rd Class Magistrates.	Number appealing.	Disposed of. Sentence or order. Confirmed.	Reduced or otherwise modified.	Reversed or proceedings quashed.	New trial ordered.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province	Pending.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Arcot (North) ...	11	9	1	186	187	1	4,157	406	259	15	149	1	...	13
Do. (South) ...	...	...	...	259	271	8	5,160	571	297	68	255	6	1	15
Anantapur ...	10	11	...	139	135	6	2,548	327	157	29	129	...	...	19
Bellary	5	5	...	93	91	2	7,092	171	70	23	65	10	...	3
Canara (South) ...	48	28	...	89	113	4	1,775	281	136	47	84	19	...	10
Chingleput ...	...	...	...	139	142	3	5,144	436	204	4	238	...	...	15
Coimbatore ...	5	13	1	308	296	13	3,632	634	375	69	191	...	...	25
Nilgiris	4	3	...	2	4	...	1,474	6	4	1	2	...	...	...
Cuddapah	...	...	...	200	198	13	3,312	465	252	62	149	7	...	22
Ganjam	52	42	9	121	136	8	4,654	445	271	17	199	2	...	38
Godavari	...	...	...	317	286	40	5,548	816	372	73	238	37	...	111
Kistna	9	10	...	209	203	10	4,238	529	324	41	148	...	...	25
Kurnool	18	18	...	66	70	1	1,386	174	84	19	78	5	...	1
Madura	...	...	...	462	465	25	8,323	1,199	753	45	417	21	...	75
Malabar	46	8	...	677	681	35	8,199	1,281	785	135	314	3	1	66
Nellore	17	16	...	142	143	8	4,167	309	171	30	124	...	...	16
Salem	17	16	...	189	210	6	2,307	476	274	32	195	5	...	16
Tanjore	...	...	...	184	184	11	8,553	530	276	37	229	1	...	44
Tinnevelly ...	22	23	2	433	431	20	3,309	1,093	644	148	310	11	...	60
Trichinopoly ...	20	3	2	202	228	15	6,542	544	326	37	177	4	...	54
Vizagapatam ...	...	1	...	164	153	14	5,217	403	208	45	72	23	...	62
Ganjam (Agency) ...	...	...	...	7	4	2	290	17	12	...	...	...	...	2
Godavari (Do.) ...	...	...	...	2	1	1	67	2	1	...	...	...	...	1
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	...	...	...	23	22	1	980	59	13	5	40	...	...	1
Total...	284	206	15	4613	4654	247	98,124	11,174	6,268	982	3,803	155	2	694

G2.—*Statement comparing, by Districts, the number of Appeals and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the mode of disposal, in the Courts of Session, for the year 1886.*

DISTRICTS.	APPEALS			PERSONS							
						Disposed of.					
						Sentence or order.					
	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Number in respect of whom appealable sentences or orders were passed by 1st Class Magistrates.	Number appealing.	Confirmed.	Reduced or otherwise modified.	Reversed or proceedings quashed.	New trial ordered.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Pending.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Arcot (North)	24	25	1	108	33	27	2	8	...	...	3
Do. (South)	55	56	...	132	73	58	4	12	...	...	...
Bellary	30	36	1	108	54	42	17	11	...	...	1
Canara (South)	8	7	1	47	13	5	1	3	...	...	4
Chingleput	16	16	...	84	24	16	6	2	...	...	...
Coimbatore	59	64	1	143	87	47	10	42	...	...	1
Nilgiris	1	1	...	23	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah	18	19	...	73	18	14	2	3	...	...	...
Ganjam	28	27	2	128	66	31	13	21	...	...	7
Godavari	21	23	...	71	41	17	...	26	...	...	...
Kistna	12	13	2	53	39	16	15	3	...	...	8
Kurnool	7	9	1	52	11	13	4	4	...	...	1
Madura	83	83	1	207	142	119	9	14	...	...	1
Malabar (North)	23	24	1	185	28	23	2	4	...	...	1
Do. (South)	89	90	4		123	81	7	38	...	...	5
Nellore	16	17	...	61	18	12	5	2	...	...	..
Salem	26	24	4	103	45	32	2	25	1	...	4
Tanjore	13	14	1	149	38	20	16	3	...	...	1
Tinnevelly	58	54	6	179	118	79	8	7	...	...	26
Trichinopoly	27	33	1	73	33	28	...	13	...	...	1
Vizagapatam	28	26	6	73	48	33	1	2	...	...	20
Ganjam (Agency)	...	1	...	35	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari (Do.)	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (Do.)	17	13	3	133	25	10	4	1	2	...	7
Total...	659	675	36	2,230	1,078	727	128	244	3	...	91

H.—*Statement showing, by Districts, the number of Revision Cases received, disposed of and pending and the Persons concerned therein, with their results, in the Courts of District Magistrates and Courts of Session, for the year 1886.*

DISTRICTS.	DISTRICT MAGISTRATES' COURTS									COURTS OF SESSION.								
	CASES			PERSONS.						CASES.			PERSONS.					
					DISPOSED OF.									DISPOSED OF.				
	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Received.	Orders not interfered with.	Proceedings quashed or further enquiry ordered.	Referred.	Otherwise.	Pending.	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Received.	Orders not interfered with.	Proceedings quashed or further enquiry ordered.	Referred.	Otherwise.	Pending.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Arcot (North)	6	6	...	20	17	...	3	...	...	11	10	1	47	34	...	11	...	2
Do. (South)	38	33	...	46	26	8	12	...	...	10	10	...	29	16	12	1	...	...
Anantapur	2	5	...	10	8	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bellary	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	15	...	39	39	2	...	...	...
Canara (South)	26	29	...	105	82	34	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chingleput	29	29	...	70	68	...	2	...	...	3	3	...	46	46	...	...	...	...
Coimbatore	13	13	...	15	12	3	...	...	...	33	33	3	106	75	13	15	...	8
Nilgiris	2	2	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah	2	1	1	4	...	3	...	...	1	12	9	3	53	14	8	9	...	22
Ganjam	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	14	...	17	8	2	7	...	...
Godavari	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Kistna	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	9	2	9	6	2	1	...	2
Kurnool	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	...	3	2	...	1	...	...
Madura	40	40	...	124	36	46	42	...	...	42	38	5	50	25	11	10	...	5
Malabar (North)	53	53	...	70	40	8	22	...	...	14	15	...	68	59	15	...	...	...
Do. (South)										70	71	3	96	74	10	14	...	4
Nellore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	...	3	2	1	...	...	...
Salem	8	8	...	11	...	...	11	...	...	26	27	...	30	16	1	14	...	...
Tanjore	114	109	7	647	492	70	...	...	87	45	43	2	208	165	23	4	...	16
Tinnevelly	64	66	2	291	240	52	...	...	11	15	11	4	71	53	...	...	...	18
Trichinopoly	38	38	...	103	87	16	...	...	...	10	11	...	46	42	5	...	...	...
Vizagapatam	10	11	...	21	20	2	...	...	...	3	2	1	3	2	...	...	...	1
Do. (Agency)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Total... ...	445	448	10	1,539	1,128	251	95	...	99	339	329	24	926	680	105	87	...	78

I.—*Statement showing, by Districts, the number and result of Appeals to the High Court, for the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.													PERSONS.											
	In cases summarily rejected.	Conviction.					Acquittal.			Verdict of Jury.			Total.	In cases summarily rejected.	Conviction.				Acquittal.			Verdict of Jury.			Total.
		Confirmed.	Sentence.		Reversed and remanded.	Confirmed &c., as regards some Appellants.	Confirmed.	Reversed and new trial ordered.	Reversed, conviction recorded and sentence passed.	Upheld.	Modified.	Set aside.			Confirmed.	Sentence.		Reversed and remanded.	Confirmed.	Reversed and new trial ordered.	Reversed, conviction recorded and sentence passed.	Upheld.	Modified.	Set aside.	
			Varied.	Reversed.												Varied.	Reversed.								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Arcot (North) ..	4	8	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	8	10	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Do. (South) ...	16	4	2	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	27	22	3	7	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	63
Bellary ...	21	17	2	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	44	27	24	3	5	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	61
Canara (South) ...	1	7	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	11	1	13	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	17
Chingleput ..	10	1	...	...	...	...	...	41	...	...	...	...	52	10	1	...	...	...	...	41	...	...	...	...	52
Coimbatore ...	10	7	2	...	...	3	...	...	1	1	...	...	24	18	15	11	..	...	1	...	...	11	...	...	56
Nilgiris ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
Cuddapah ...	2	2	5	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	11	2	6	6	..	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	16
Ganjam ...	5	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	10	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Do. (Agency) ...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Godavari ..	5	6	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	15	5	6	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	20
Do. (Agency) ...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Kistna ...	3	2	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	4	2	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Kurnool ...	...	3	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	7	...	12	3	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	20
Madura ...	33	15	5	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	56	56	39	5	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	105
Malabar (North) ...	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Do. (South) ...	10	5	5	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	23	27	5	5	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	40
Nellore ...	5	5	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	6	6	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13
Salem ...	11	7	1	1	...	1	...	..	1	...	...	1	23	14	8	8	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	33
Tanjore ...	11	10	2	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	28	17	19	2	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	46
Tinnevelly ...	18	14	6	1	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	43	25	21	9	1	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	62
Trichinopoly ...	8	7	2	4	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	23	24	17	2	5	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	57
Vizagapatam ...	1	4	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	8	1	8	...	1	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	13
Do. (Agency) ...	3	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	3	8	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Madras ...	14	16	2	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	41	14	16	2	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	41
Civil and Military Station, Bangalore ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Total ...	197	156	43	36	5	9	5	43	5	5	...	2	506	305	289	70	54	13	6	43	4	25	...	2	811

J.—*Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the mode of disposal of the sentences of death referred for confirmation under Section 374 of the Criminal Procedure Code, in the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	CASES						PERSONS.					
	Confirmed	Modified.	Reversed and acquittal ordered.	Confirmed &c., as regards some of the appellants.	Reversed and new trial ordered.	Total.	Confirmed.	Commuted to transportation.	Commuted to rigorous imprisonment.	Reversed and acquittal ordered.	Reversed and new trial ordered.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Arcot (North) ...	2	3	...	...	...	5	2	3	...	1	...	6
Do (South) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bellary ..	3	1	...	...	1	5	6	1	...	...	1	8
Canara (South) ...	5	...	...	...	1	6	5	...	...	...	1	6
Chingleput ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coimbatore ...	3	...	1	...	...	4	3	...	...	1	...	4
Nilgiris ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ganjam ...	1	2	...	...	...	3	2	2	...	...	...	4
Do. (Agency) ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
Godavari ..	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
Do. (Agency) ...	1	...	...	...	1	2	1	...	...	...	2	3
Kistna ..	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	2
Kurnool ...	2	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	2
Madura ...	1	1	...	...	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	2
Malabar (North) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. (South) ...	4	1	1	...	1	7	5	1	...	3	1	10
Nellore ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
Salem ...	2	1	1	...	...	4	4	1	...	2	...	7
Tanjore ...	2	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	2
Tinnevelly ...	3	1	...	...	...	4	5	...	1	1	...	7
Trichinopoly ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam ..	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
Do. (Agency). ...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total. .	33	10	4	..	4	51	42	9	1	10	5	67

K.—*Statement showing, by Districts, the results of Cases referred under Section 438, Criminal Procedure Code, by Sessions Judges and District Magistrates, in the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	Reported by Sessions Judges.					Reported by District Magistrates.					Remarks.
	Quashed.	New trial or enquiry ordered.	Modified.	Not interfered with.	Total disposed of.	Quashed.	New trial or enquiry ordered.	Modified.	Not interfered with.	Total disposed of.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Arcot (North)	2	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	2	
Do. (South)	...	1	...	...	1	5	...	6	2	13	
Anantapur	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	5	2	10	
Bellary...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	3	7	
Canara (South)	...	...	1	1	2	4	...	1	5	10	
Chingleput	2	...	...	1	3	2	1	1	2	6	
Coimbatore	1	1	...	2	4	1	...	1	...	2	
Nilgiris	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	2	
Cuddapah	3	1	1	4	9	8	1	25	13	47	
Ganjam	1	2	...	1	4	2	1	1	1	5	
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Godavari	3	...	1	4	8	5	2	3	3	13	
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Kistna...	...	...	...	2	2	35	10	17	9	71	
Kurnool	...	...	...	...	...	8	1	...	2	11	
Madura	...	4	2	...	6	5	4	5	6	20	
Malabar (North) ...	...	...	...	2	2	6	7	2	1	16	
Do. (South)	4	1	1	5	11						
Nellore	2	...	1	...	3	15	...	1	6	22	
Salem	3	...	7	1	11	6	3	4	2	15	
Tanjore	2	1	3	...	6	6	8	3	6	23	
Tinnevelly	...	...	...	...	...	28	2	3	11	44	
Trichinopoly	...	...	...	...	...	7	2	3	10	22	
Vizagapatam	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	3	
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	
Total...	24	11	17	23	75	152	44	83	87	366	

L.—*Statement showing the amount of fines imposed in the exercise of Original Jurisdiction, the amount realized, and the amount paid as compensation, in the year* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	Courts of Magistrates.			Courts of Session.		
	Imposed.	Realized.	Paid as compensation.	Imposed.	Realized.	Paid as compensation.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Arcot (North)	10,911	9,974	433	605	305	...
Do. (South)	18,684	13,471	400	1,050	...	...
Anantapur	7,184	5,694	208	...	...	...
Bellary	8,119	7,922	501	3,170	959	...
Canara (South)	15,418	11,281	1,716	120	100	99
Chingleput	13,138	11,106	335	...	...	...
Coimbatore	18,322	14,400	229	2,975	221	149
Nilgiris	3,205	2,663	192	...	...	...
Cuddapah	13,298	11,470	1,098	...	...	...
Ganjam...	19,611	11,780	1,231	...	460	200
Godavari	27,707	23,978	2,179	...	...	...
Kistna	20,738	16,211	2,145	200	1,000	...
Kurnool	9,768	8,046	639	...	...	...
Madura	32,286	29,204	898	650	267	320
Malabar	38,739	27,028	1,941	3,150	1,142	45
Nellore	12,787	10,871	901	81	10	...
Salem	15,119	10,226	989	2,100	51	...
Tanjore	15,516	13,158	586	370	123	...
Tinnevelly	21,269	15,606	1,677	50	20	20
Trichinopoly	17,154	15,920	735	...	...	...
Vizagapatam	15,709	13,689	1,155	...	...	...
Ganjam (Agency)	2,515	1,714	56	...	...	...
Godavari (Do.)	766	475	64	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (Do.)	5,185	2,368	309	...	...	...
Madras	33,050	27,807	2,008	2,000	...	...
Total...	3,96,198	*3,16,062	22,620	16,521	4,658	833

* These include also the amounts realized out of the fines imposed during the previous years.

M.—*Statement showing, by Districts, the Judicial receipts and charges of Criminal Courts for* 1886.

DISTRICTS.	Receipts.				Charges.			
	Court Fees	Fines.	Others.	Total.	Salaries and contingencies	Refunds.	Compensation.	Total.
Arcot (North)	6,615	10,004	464	17,083	41,328	742	431	42,501
Do. (South)	7,748	13,471	383	21,602	61,429	918	400	62,747
Anantapur	2,727	5,694	121	8,542	29,317	903	208	30,428
Bellary	2,671	8,881	531	12,083	49,550	496	501	50,547
Canara (South)	4,862	11,433	389	16,634	44,303	1,674	1,878	47,855
Chingleput	5,666	11,131	297	17,094	47,251	2,425	335	50,011
Coimbatore	7,049	13,583	2,711	23,343	69,812	2,740	247	72,799
Nilgiris	1,139	2,663	161	3,963	18,030	20	117	18,167
Cuddapah	6,160	11,655	537	18,352	68,920	2,036	10,30	71,986
Ganjam	4,368	11,324	546	16,238	53,127	1,356	1,304	55,817
Godavari	13,552	24,000	950	38,502	47,697	2,675	2,113	52,485
Kistna	7,776	17,240	748	25,764	48,769	877	2,145	51,791
Kurnool	4,040	8,026	144	12,210	35,759	865	655	37,279
Madura	14,697	29,465	490	44,652	56,658	3,856	866	61,380
Malabar	13,365	28,667	2,030	44,062	1,09,794	2,490	2,038	1,14,322
Nellore	8,689	10,803	313	19,805	36,599	633	810	38,042
Salem	9,132	10,269	705	20,106	54,225	1,599	955	56,779
Tanjore	9,162	13,281	677	23,120	48,738	1,367	586	50,691
Tinnevelly	10,597	15,762	491	26,850	83,815	2,890	1,677	88,382
Trichinopoly	5,917	16,099	743	22,759	39,095	1,164	735	40,994
Vizagapatam	7,184	13,689	448	21,321	41,214	573	1,155	42,942
Ganjam (Agency)	47	1,728	15	1,790	24,229	...	31	24,260
Godavari (do.)	239	475	267	981	3,885	...	64	3,949
Vizagapatam (do.)	1,110	2,357	2,588	6,055	20,520	185	309	21,014
Total ..	1,54,512	2,91,700	16,749	4,62,961	11,34,064	32,514	20,590	11,87,168
Presidency Magistrates' Courts...	1,158	27,769	10 346	39,273	61,777	2,639	2,003	66,419
High Court...	1,687	...	...	1,687	1,20,439	...	...	1,20,439
Total...	2,845	27,769	10,346	40,960	1,82,216	2,639	2,003	1,86,858
Grand Total...	1,57,357	3,19,469	27,095	5,03,921	13,16,280	35,153	22,593	13,74,026

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper :—

From the Acting Registrar of the High Court of Judicature at Madras, Appellate Side, to the Chief Secretary to Government. dated Madras, 7th November 1887, No. 2728.

Abstract.—Submitting 40 copies of report on the administration of criminal justice for 1886.

Order—dated 31st January 1888, No. 239, Judicial.

The report on the administration of criminal justice during the year 1886 was submitted on the 8th November 1887, four months after the prescribed date. This is the latest date on which the report has been received for several years past, and the Honorable the Judges of the High Court will be requested to pass such orders as will ensure its more punctual submission in future.

2. A satisfactory feature in the report is the decrease in the number of reported cases which proved to be false. The number of such cases struck off as false decreased from 25,927 in 1885 to 17,058 in 1886, the decrease occurring almost entirely in Penal Code offences, as was to be expected. The Tanjore district again stands first and possesses the undesirable distinction of producing nearly twice as heavy a percentage of false cases as any other district in the presidency. The following table shows the offences in which the percentage of true cases was highest and lowest :—

Offences affecting public health	96·3	Highest.
Contempts of lawful authority, &c.	95·9	
Receiving stolen property	95·3	
Criminal breach of contracts of service	94·4	
Assault	91·6	
Criminal intimidation and insult	91·1	
Robbery and dacoity	68·4	Lowest
Cheating	65·8	
Rape	65·7	
Unnatural offences	50·0	

3. It is satisfactory also to find that there was a decrease in crime during the year. The number of cases reported and the number returned as true in 1885 and 1886 are compared below—

	1885	1886.
Reported	216,657	204,564
Returned as true	190,730	187,506

There was thus a decrease of 12,093 in cases reported and of 3,224 in cases returned as true. Under both heads the decrease, so far as it concerns offences under the Penal Code, occurred chiefly in cases of theft, criminal trespass and offences affecting the public health under Chapter XIV of the Indian Penal Code. Unfortunately, this decrease in crimes which may be described as generally of a lighter order was accompanied by some increase in graver crime—offences affecting life, kidnapping, &c., and forgery. There were 191 cases of murder and 53 of attempts to commit murder

as compared with 103 and 41 in the preceding year, showing a very heavy increase which is unexplained and for which it is perhaps vain to look for a cause. Forgery, likewise, shows an unusually heavy list, the increases occurring mainly in South Arcot, Cuddapah, Coimbatore and South Canara. In spite of these figures, however, the ratio of grave crime to population fell from 1 to 1,479 in 1885 to 1 to 1615 in 1886.

4. There were 336,315 persons under trial during the year, against 342,016 in that which preceded. Of these, 193,874 were acquitted or discharged and 136,635 convicted; the percentage of conviction was 22·2 in offences under the Penal Code and 78·1 in those against Special and Local Laws. The Government note as unsatisfactory the very low proportion of convictions secured in some of the graver crimes, such as rape, kidnapping, robbery and dacoity, theft and offences affecting life. The inference is unavoidable that either a large number of innocent persons are improperly put on their trial or that a number of guilty persons escape. The Honorable the Judges call attention to a remark of the District Magistrate of Salem that "the police seem to have lost the art of detecting crime and require thorough re-organising." The Government consider that some part of the fall in convictions is due to the distrust manifested by courts in police evidence and police-obtained confessions, a result possibly caused not so much by deterioration in the police as by the extended publicity given of late years to those cases wherein the action of the police has been open to question. The subject has been lately considered by Government and is already before the Inspector-General of Police. The lowest percentage of conviction occurs in offences relating to documents and trade marks (7·1) and of extortion (7·8), and the highest in those affecting the public health and safety (70·9) and in offences against Special and Local Laws (78·15).

5. The following statement shows the aggregate criminal work of the year as compared with the two previous years.—

	Original Cases	Appeals	Total
1884	191,024	5,510	196,534
1885	203,993	5,861	209,854
1886	195,724	6,126	201,850

There was a marked decrease (2,752) in the number of Village Magistrates exercising powers during the year; but this was largely due to the remark made by the High Court in last year's report, to the effect that only Village Magistrates who actually tried cases should be entered. The Honorable the Judges point out that this instruction has not in all cases been acted on, and the attention of the District Magistrates of Bellary, Cuddapah, Ganjam, Trichinopoly and Salem, and of the Agent in Godávari is again drawn to the matter. In North Arcot, where the High Court's instruction has been observed, the number of Village Magistrates fell from 2,720 to 595, thus accounting for most of the decrease. The number of cases tried by these courts also showed a falling off, the figures for three years being shown in the margin. These results, though not entirely satisfactory in respect to the degree of public confidence placed in Village Magistrates' Courts, are not sufficient to show any general change of feeling to have occurred in the matter.

1884	15,266
1885	15,762
1886	14,095

6. The statement given below shows the number of cases disposed of and the number of persons dealt with by the courts of regular Magistrates, excluding 3,346 persons who were committed or referred to higher courts.

	Cases	Persons.
Benches of Magistrates	29,473	35,251
Special Magistrates	3,334	4,933
Stipendiary Magistrates other than District or Special Magistrates	118,150	250,044
District Magistrates	144	256
Total ..	151,101	290,484

Throughout their remarks in section 3 of Chapter IV the High Court class all stipendiaries other than District Magistrates together as "Other Subordinate Magistrates." It would be more convenient if Sub-divisional Magistrates, who have appellate and some supervising powers and always belong to the 1st class, could be shown in a class by themselves like District Magistrates.

In statement E of the Appendix giving information for each district of the number of cases and persons received, disposed of and pending in the several classes of courts, the Government observe certain apparent inconsistencies, as to which some explanation seems desirable. Thus in Statement E 2, in Tanjore, 101 cases are shown as instituted and 99 were disposed of, while none are shown as pending, and similarly in Tinnevelly, 55 cases were instituted and 54 disposed of, but the column for pending cases is blank. In the case of Tanjore two persons appear as having died, escaped or been transferred, and they would account for the difference, but there is no such entry in regard to Tinnevelly. It may also be noted, as curious, that in 78 cases disposed of in Malabar, only 22 witnesses were examined: the table, however, relates to nuisance-cases chiefly, and it is not improbable that the charge is generally admitted, in which case evidence would be unnecessary. Similar apparent discrepancies appear in Statements E 3, 4, 5, 6. Thus, in Trichinopoly, in Statement E 4, the number of cases instituted was 63, but 263 are shown as disposed of and 1 pending, the balance pending at the close of the previous year having been 1 only. This great disproportion cannot, it is thought, be explained by the remark at the close of paragraph 2 of the High Court's letter, No. 490, dated 18th February 1886, recorded in G.O., 3rd March 1886, No. 550, Judicial; and it seems probable that the cases instituted were 263 and not 63.

7. There was a large decrease in the amount of work done by Benches of Magistrates owing to fewer cases being instituted before them. In the courts of District Magistrates only 123 cases were filed during the year as compared with 177 in 1885.

The District Magistrates of North Arcot and Cuddapah did no original work; those of Chingleput, Kistna and Tanjore disposed of 1 case each, and those of Anantapur, Madura and Salem 2 cases each.

8. The work done by the Stipendiary Magistrates other than Special and District Magistrates is shown below—

	Cases	Persons
Sub-Magistrates	111,581	240,013
Deputy Magistrates	2,564	5,890
Assistant and Head Assistant Magistrates	1,747	3,621
Joint Magistrates	864	1,881
Cantonment Magistrates	1,394	1,928
	118,150	* 253,333

* This number includes persons referred

9. The number of persons convicted by the magistracy of all grades was 104,264 or 35·8 per cent. of the aggregate number disposed of. The number sentenced to imprisonment was 16,222 and to whipping alone 1,146, against 18,185 and 1,299 respectively in 1885. Only in 802 cases did the term of imprisonment exceed 6 months, the corresponding figure in 1885 having been 928. The number sentenced to solitary confinement was 334, against 122 in 1885 and 39 in 1884. The larger employment of this form of punishment is satisfactory. Of the number sentenced to whipping 538 were juveniles.

10. The fines imposed and realised by the magistracy in 1885 and 1886 are shown below, the percentage of realisations being higher than in 1885 by 2·4—

	1885 RS.	1886 RS
Imposed	3,94,434	3,63,148
Realised	2,97,669	2,82,853
Percentage	75·4	77·8

In four districts the percentage exceeded 90.

11. The total number of persons against whom appealable sentences were passed by the magistracy was 100,354, of whom 12,252 appealed. The percentage of appellants to the appealable sentences passed by Second and Third class Magistrates was 11·3 and the percentage of sentences confirmed by Sub-divisional and District Magistrates' Courts was 55·9. The percentage of appellants to appealable sentences passed by First-class Magistrates was 48·3 and the percentage of sentences confirmed by Sessions Courts was 65·9. Of the average duration of cases decided, the lowest was in courts of Bench Magistrates ($1\frac{1}{3}$ days). The averages in the other courts were Special Magistrates 4 days, other Subordinate Magistrates (including Sub-divisional officers) and District Magistrates 7 days, respectively. The percentage of witnesses detained beyond 3 days to the total number examined (318,208) was 3·5, against 4·9 in 1885. Out of 5,675 persons who remained under trial at the end of the year, 112 had been under trial for upwards of 6 months and as many as 47 of these were in the Salem district. The District Magistrate will explain the cause of this extraordinary delay. The District Magistrate of Madura will also explain how it happened that 404 witnesses were detained by the Madura Bench for more than 3 days.

12. In Courts of Session the original criminal work shows a falling off, the commitments being 972 against 1,149 in 1885.

The Judges concurred in, or did not express dissent from, the verdict of the jury in 96 per cent. of the cases tried by jury, and concurred in the opinions of assessors in 75 per cent. of cases tried with them. It seems doubtful, however, whether the practice in regard to expressing approval or disapproval of a jury's verdict is the same in all courts. The Judge of Madura seems to have thought it right to express his dissent in as many as 6 cases, but not to refer any of them to the High Court under section 307. There were only 13 cases of dissent for the whole presidency and 6 were referred to the High Court, so that for the other 19 Courts of Session only one dissent remains which was not followed by a reference to the High Court. His Excellency in Council is disposed to think that disapproval ought not generally to be expressed unless it is so complete as to necessitate action being taken under section 307, but the practice should certainly be uniform and the High Court will be requested to issue such orders as they may deem proper to secure general uniformity. The Sessions Judges of Salem and Trichinopoly differed from the assessors in half their cases. It may be doubted whether they took the trouble to explain the evidence to the assessors with sufficient distinctness.

Of the 2,078 persons dealt with, 879 were convicted. The percentage of convictions to the number of persons dealt with was 43·7, against 47·3 in 1885. The percentage was highest in the Godávari Agency (81·8) and lowest in Kurnool (22·3). There has been an improvement in the percentage of convictions in Bellary, 53·2, against 30·9 in 1885.

13. The fines imposed by Sessions Courts and realised are shown below; the percentage of realisations, though still low, has improved—

	1885	1886
	RS.	RS.
Imposed	28,959	14,521
Realised	2,550	2,756
Percentage	8·8	18·9

14. The number of persons against whom appealable sentences were passed in session cases was 858, of whom 730 appealed to the High Court. Eighty-one per cent. of the cases decided were confirmed. The number of witnesses detained for over 3 days was 3,156, against 3,676 in 1885. The batta and diet money paid to witnesses attending sessions came to Rs. 26,604, or Rs. $3\frac{3}{4}$ a head, as against Rs. 28,595, or Rs. $3\frac{1}{2}$ per head, in 1885.

15. The following statement shows the number of appeals instituted during the last three years before appellate authorities outside the presidency town :—

	1884	1885.	1886
Sub-divisional Magistrates	4,147	4,291	4,613
District Magistrates	337	362	284
Sessions Courts	510	586	659

Of these 5,556 appeals instituted and the number (307) pending at the beginning of the year, 5,535 were disposed of—675 by Sessions Courts, 4,654 by Sub-divisional Magistrates and 206 by District Magistrates. It will be observed from these figures that there was a considerable increase in the appellate cases received both by Sub-divisional Magistrates and by the Courts of Session, and this increased work was well met. The average duration of appeals in these three classes of courts was, respectively, 29, 19 and 23 days. The proportion of wholly unsuccessful appellants in the Sessions Courts was highest in Vizagapatam (91·5) and lowest in Godávari (39·5). In the Courts of Magistrates, it was highest in Malabar (63·5) and lowest in Nellore (31·6).

The revision cases numbered 445 before District Magistrates and 339 before Sessions Courts. There was a considerable increase in the revision work of the Session Judges, the number of cases in 1885 having been 279 only. It is not understood why two revision cases are shown as having been brought before Sub-divisional Magistrates as such officers have no revisional powers. It is gathered from section 52 of the report that these cases were referred to District Magistrates and must therefore have been counted twice over.

16. In the courts of Presidency Magistrates, the number of cases continued steadily to increase. The increase was slightly greater in the Black Town than in the Egmore Court. 30,059 cases were received in the two courts, and 30,050 disposed of, leaving 30 cases only pending at the end of the year. These figures show that the Presidency Magistrates continue to cope with their work successfully. The average number decided per Magistrate per diem was 21 at Egmore and 31 at Black Town. Most of the cases fall either under the Municipal and Police Acts, or under the Assault section of the Penal Code. 82·9 per cent. of the persons dealt with were convicted, 119 persons being sentenced to imprisonment exceeding 6 months and 198 persons to whipping, including 105 juveniles. The number of persons committed for trial to the High Court was 62.

The increase in the number of appeals from convictions by Presidency Magistrates is remarkable. In 1884 only 8 such appeals were instituted. In 1885 there were 17, or 14 per cent. of the appealable sentences (116) passed, and in 1886 the number rose to 40, against 124 appealable sentences, or 32·2 per cent.

17. There has been a gradual decrease in the number of cases committed for trial before the High Court. The number was 56 in 1886 against 67 in 1885 and 74 in 1884, but the number of witnesses examined was 376 or 40 per cent. higher than in 1885. Fifty-one cases were disposed of during the year, and 6 were pending on the 31st December 1886, the average pendency from commitment to judgment being 22 days as compared with 28 in 1885.

There were 45 cases in which sentence of capital punishment passed was referred to the High Court for confirmation under section 374 of the Criminal Procedure Code during the year. Including 12 cases pending, 73 persons were dealt with, and, of this number, the sentence of death was confirmed on 42 persons, as against 35 in 1885 and 58 in 1884.

18. On the Appellate Side of the High Court, the number of appeals filed decreased from 622 in 1885 to 570 in 1886. 902 persons were concerned in the appeals received, and 499 appeals were disposed of, leaving 91 pending at the close of the year. There was a large increase in the number of appeals from sentences of acquittal, the number being 56, against 11 in 1884 and 18 in 1885, and in 43 cases a new trial was ordered.

As a court of revision the High Court had 907 cases, as compared with 815 in the previous year. In 45 per cent. of the cases disposed of the proceedings of the lower courts were not interfered with.

19. The receipts from court fees amounted during the year to Rs. 1,57,357, against Rs. 1,60,073 in 1885. Fines also yielded a smaller income, viz., Rs. 3,19,469, against Rs. 3,34,903, and the total receipts from Criminal Justice thus aggregated Rs. 5,03,921 as compared with Rs. 5,17,286 in the preceding year.

(True Extract.)

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